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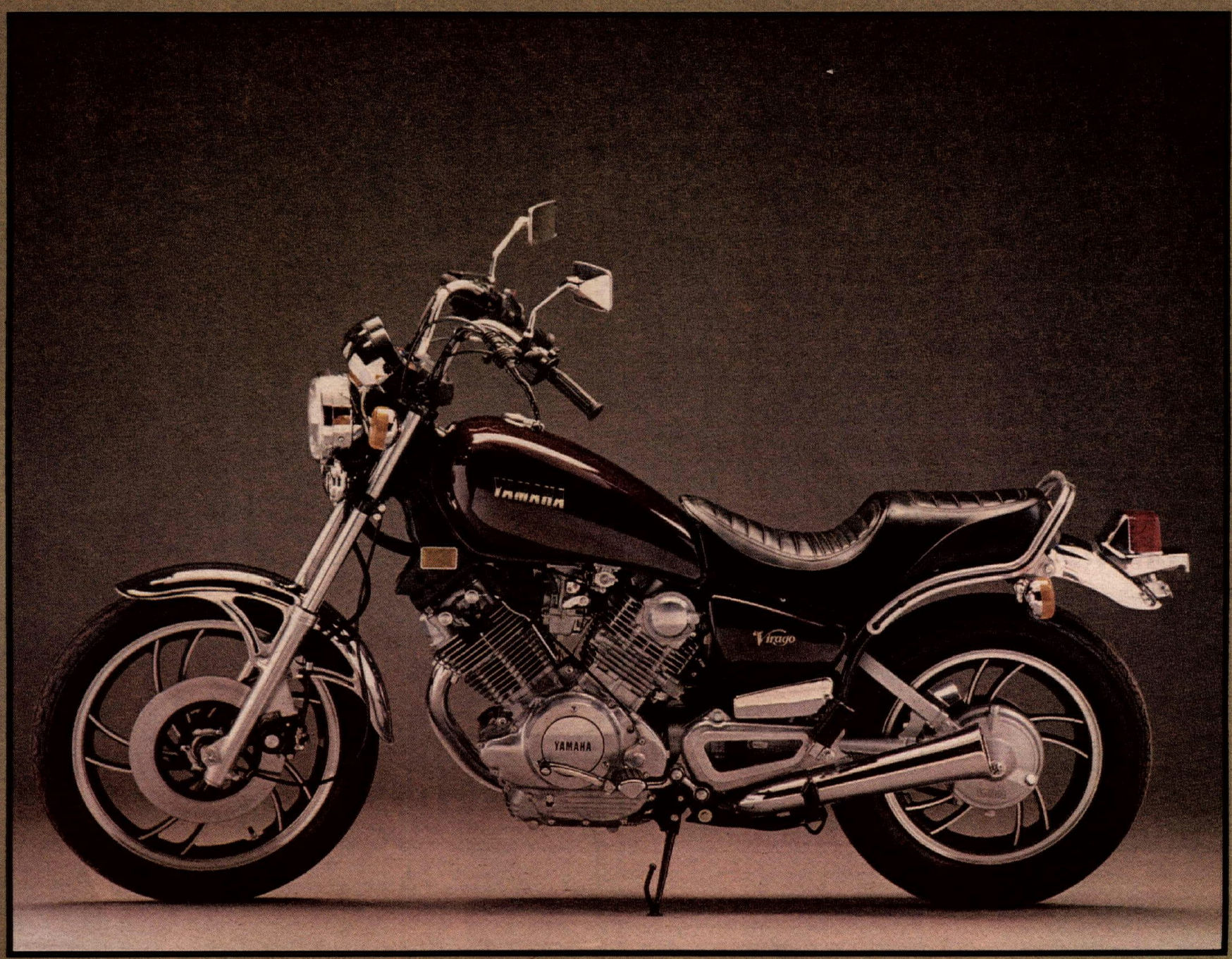


AMERICA'S WEEKLY MOTORCYCLE NEWSPAPER

THE LATEST POOP BY PAPA WEALEY

BLM director issues B-to-V invitation, Duck wins his case

FONTANA, CA, SEPT. 8

Louis McKey, the Phantom Duck of the Desert, recently received a letter from James Ruch, the Bureau of Land Management's California State Director. The letter's third paragraph is printed verbatim:

"Incidentally, as you are aware, some folks in the American Motorcycle Association have been talking to me about Thanksgiving weekend. I would suggest that you might assist in their efforts. No competitive event requiring a permit is scheduled for that weekend in the Barstow to Vegas area. It would be a very good time, however, for some off-road vehicle people to get together and look at the possibility of a future route in connection with the Intermountain Power Project approved transmission line corridor. It would be an opportunity to spend that weekend in the desert riding on roads and trails that are available in the area, and, perhaps, plan for an important multiple use opportunity on public lands."

The Duck commented, "At the invitation of Jim Ruch, you're damn right I'm going to ride Barstow to Vegas! I'm going to have a hell of a good time, and I'm not going alone."

Also announced by the Phantom Duck organization was that the BLM has conceded defeat in the lawsuit recently filed by Duck, and that the BLM wants to settle out of court. "The BLM has offered to concede every point in the lawsuit. The reason why is that their lawyers have told them they will lose in court," said Phantom Duck officer Rick Sieman in a Sept. 5 phone conversation. Sieman said that they will meet soon with the BLM to discuss the settlement and "if they don't meet our terms, which are not going to be easy, then we will proceed with the lawsuit. We will dictate terms — not them — of their surrender."

Penhall disappointed with fifth in Individual World Final

By John Hipkiss

GOTHENBURG, SWEDEN, SEPT. 5

America's hopes for victory in the Individual Speedway World Final were lost when the sole American entry Bruce Penhall placed a disappointing fifth with nine points at Ullevi Stadium in Gothenburg, Sweden.

He started the meeting in superb style by winning his first race and finishing second in his next. But his early hopes were spoiled in his third and fourth races when he finished third in both.

Winning the World Championship title on 14 points was England's Michael Lee. Dave Jessup was second after winning a run-off against Australia's Billy Sanders; both had scored 12 points. Fourth was Jan Andersson with 11 points. Penhall's fifth was actually a 9-point tie — no run-off — with John Davis.

HosPITal STOP: Ted Leimbach, a member of the U.S. Vase Team for the upcoming International Six Days Trial, was critically injured in an auto accident in his hometown of Lorain, OH, Friday, Sept. 5. Leimbach was operating a car which struck a truck head-on. The 21-year-old Ohio State senior suffered head injuries, but is responding favorably to reflex tests performed by an uncle who is a neurosurgeon. Leimbach was still unconscious at presstime and remains in the intensive care unit of St. Joseph's Hospital (Intensive Care, Lorain, OH 44052). Leimbach suffered multiple other injuries including damaged ribs and lungs, broken leg, wrist and ankle, multiple lacerations, and a ruptured spleen.

With Mike Bast now retired...sort of, anyway, if you don't count his recent ride at Ascot...who will win the Oct. 11 U.S. National Speedway Championship at Costa Mesa? Alan "Crazy" Christian? How about Scott Autrey or Bruce Penhall, both back from the foreign wars for the National? Tickets for the event are available through International Speedway, P.O. Box 3334, San Clemente, CA 92672. Adult-sized seats go for $8.50, children-under-12 seats cost $4. For info on tickets and seating, phone 714/492-9933. Tell 'em Papa sent ya.

Trail riding in Washington: Here's a hot tip. Pick up your free copy of the *Washington Off-Road Vehicle Guide*, written by Terry Graham, edited by Suzie Mann and with graphics by Morine M. Roe, by writing to ORV Guide, Dept. of Natural Resources, Recreation Section, Public Lands Bldg., Olympia, WA 98504.

Brace yourself, it's almost time to the return of (fanfare) The Superbikers! The 1980 version of Trippe-Cox's invitational who's-really-best-in-the-U.S. race which pits MXers vs. road racers vs. dirt trackers in front of the ABC *Wide World of Sports* TV cameras will take place on Nov. 2. And while it is invitation-only, now is the time for riders who feel they should be invited to contact the promoters. Send those resumes to Grand Prix Motocross, Box 2820, Mission Viejo, CA 92690. That's also the address for ordering mail order spectator tickets. Tickets are $10 in advance, $12 at the gate, and they're also available through Ticketron outlets.

The Aug. 30 edition of the *Los Angeles Times* carried an unbelievably stupid cartoon penned by Forman Templeton. The drawing was of two archeologists peering inside a tomb to find a mummy mounted on a dirt bike. The caption read, "It's an off-road bike...It would appear that ancient Egypt was considerably less civilized than we thought." Tell the *Times'* editors that you like sports coverage in the sports section of the paper (where the cartoon appeared) and not garbage.

As King Richard Burleson shoots for his seventh consecutive AMA National Enduro Championship, he and his opponents are eyeing a 16-foot Hobie Cat which Bell Helmets will award to the 1980 champ. The catamaran features a silkscreened Bell logo on the main sail. The boat will be presented at the AMA awards ceremony in December.

September 13 and 14 ought to be a good weekend for flat track fans in Oklahoma. The action starts Saturday night, Sept. 13 with a Pro half mile in Muskogee and then moves to the Tulsa State Fairgrounds for J.A.S. Promotions Winston Pro Series half mile. In addition to the National gang, there will be a Junior Invitational, and in addition to that, Wheelie King Doug Domokos will be performing his magic. The show starts Sunday, Sept. 14, at 2 p.m., and tickets are available at most area motorcycles shops and shops in the Oklahoma City area.

If you're going to Tulsa for the race and need hotel accommodations, call the Ramada Inn located at 4528 East Skelly Drive, 918/496-9666, and tell 'em *Cycle News* sent you for the special race rates.

Bruce Penhall faces another World Championship confrontation on Sept. 14 when the World Long Track Final takes place in West Germany. Disappointed — he felt that he let a lot of people down — with his fifth place tie in the Individual World Final, Penhall will try once again to bring a speedway title back to the U.S. Then, on Sept. 21, in Poland, the U.S. team will run in the World Team Cup met. Stay tuned...

Bob "Hurricane" Hannah will make his return to big time motocross at the Oct. 25 San Diego Stadium event. Hannah phoned the day after pressday last week, reported that he and Stadium Motorsports' Mike DiStefano had reached an agreement. (Now, if he can just stop crashing demo airplanes...something about running off the end of the runway.) Hannah also told *Cycle News* that his chance of riding in the Trans-USA MX Series were, "About 90%."

California Assemblyman Bob Hayes has been appointed Chairman of a new Subcommittee on Public Lands. "With more than half of the state's lands in public ownership, and most of it under federal jurisdiction, we need to know a lot more about how the land is being managed, and how it is to be managed in the future," Hayes said. See our *California Capitol Confidential* column for more info.

With Ted Leimbach in the hospital with serious injuries (see the HosPITal STOP item elsewhere on this page) Suzuki's Jeff Fredette now joins John Ayers, Kevin Lavoie and Jack Penton on the Silver Vase team for the ISDT.

Over 60 collectible motorcycles of every make and description will go up for grabs Sept. 14 at the San Mateo Fairgrounds, just 15 minutes south of San Francisco. The public is welcome, and additional information can be obtained by writing: AMA, Box 3526, Long Beach, CA 90803."

Will whoever ripped off Pat Hawley's leathers from San Bernardino Speedway last Wednesday night please give 'em back? Hawley says there's a $50 reward, no questions asked.

San Diego Supercross fans, be sure not to miss the '79 Coca-Cola Bottler' Superbowl of Motocross film to be shown on Channel 6 on Oct. 12. Please check your local listing for airtime.

And then there's the San Jose Mile, this year with KRW Helmets as an associate sponsor, on Sept. 21. Tickets can be had by writing Bob Barkheimer Associates, Inc., P.O. Box 66588, Scotts Valley, CA 95066 or phoning 408/438-3210. They'll be on sale at BASS outlets and at selected NorCal motorcycle dealers. Ticket prices range from non-reserved general admission at $8 to reserved box seats at $15. Kids can get in for $2.

CRC's Indian Dunes race on Sept. 12, Friday night, will be a San Diego Stadium qualifier. And that includes the 60 and 80cc classes on the mini track as well as the full-sized MXers on the International course.

There'll be a Junior Invitational at the San Jose Mile. Riders may contact Bill Spencer at Bob Barkheimer Associates, Inc. (408/438-3210) for info.

Boss Motocross events at Hills Ferry Speedway have been cancelled until further notice.

U.S. Trophee, MX des Nations effort cancelled

WESTERVILLE, OH, AUG. 27

The AMA has announced that plans for participation by a U.S. team in the Trophee des Nations in France on September 7 and the Motocross des Nations in England on September 14 have been canceled. The team was to consist of the National 250cc Champion (Kent Howerton), the 500cc points leader (Chuck Sun), the top American in Europe (Brad Lackey), and an alternate based on the highest percentage of top finishes in National competition (Mike Bell).

According to Mike DiPrete, Commissioner of Professional Motorcycle Racing at the AMA, the chain of events that led to the cancelation started when the AMA asked Kawasaki's Brad Lackey, top American in Europe, to participate.

"Lackey was asked to go, but he told me Kawasaki wouldn't support him so he couldn't go," said DiPrete.

Warren Reid and Goat Breker, two other Kawasaki supported riders, were then approached, but Kawasaki decided not to back them, either.

"Brad is sponsored through Japan, not here (United States), so I wouldn't really know about it. I feel that Brad didn't really want to go," said Kawasaki Racing Manager Gary Mathers. "I feel if the riders are supposed to represent the AMA in America, they (the AMA) should round up the sponsors as well as pay the transportation costs. It's a whole lot of money for a factory to send somebody over there, and it's almost for nothing. It doesn't really sell any bikes."

Honda rider Steve Wise was then contacted as an alternate, and Honda agreed to send both Sun and Wise. At that point Yamaha called the AMA and said they wouldn't be able to send Mike Bell.

Ken Clark, Race Team Manager for Yamaha, said Bell couldn't attend due to other obligations. "Our dealer show, the one major dealer event we have in the country per year, is the same weekend (September 7-9 in Las Vegas). Mike Bell is the Supercross Champion. He is also to be called upon to introduce a new model at the show. I tried to resolve the problem, but I had to call the AMA and say there was no way I could excuse Mike Bell from the dealer show."

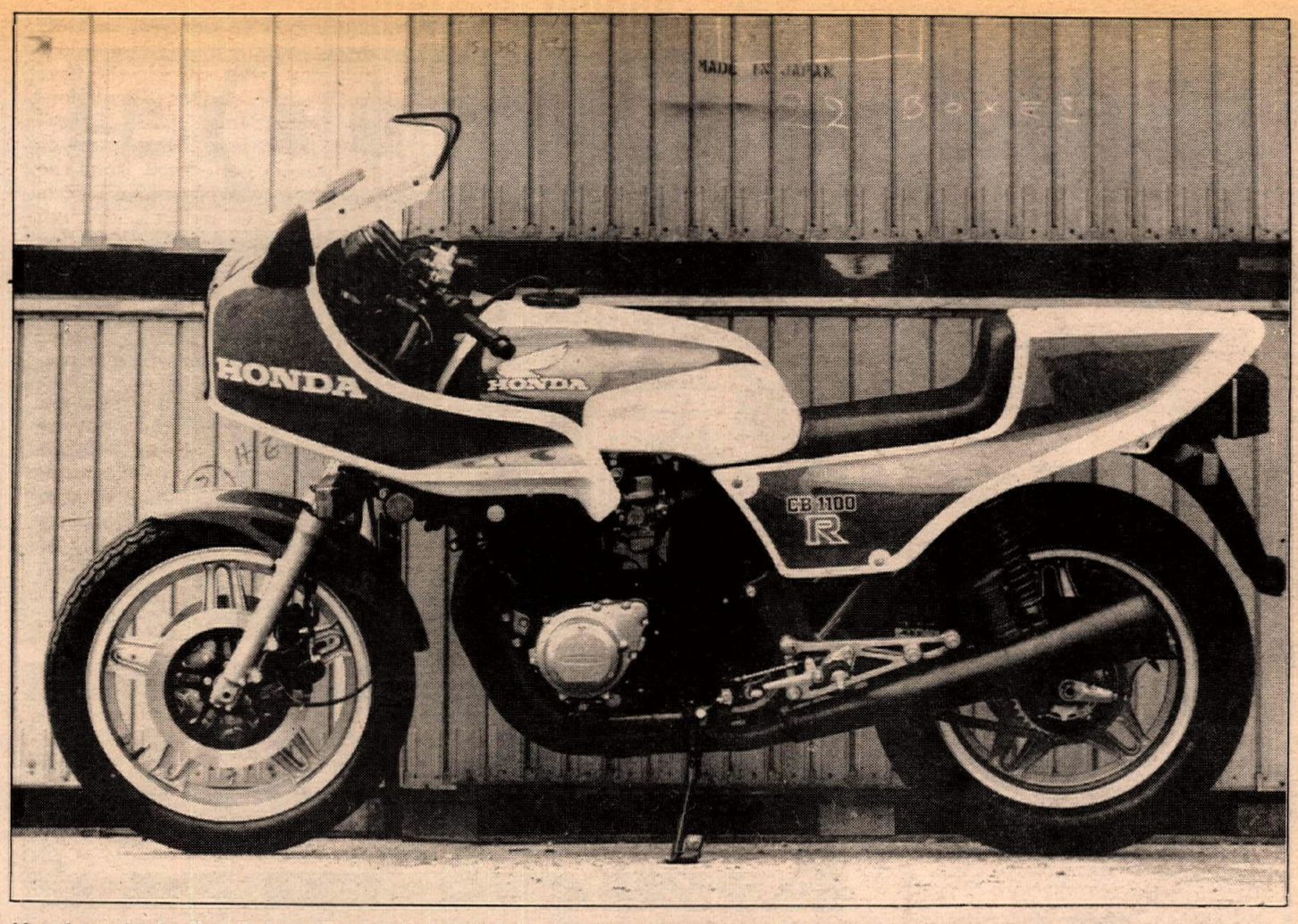
The AMA then asked Yamaha about substituting LOP's Marty Moates. Clark thought that was an excellent idea, since Moates has riding experience in Europe. Moates was then added to the roster. He was to be sponsored by both Yamaha and LOP.

"Then Suzuki's Kent Howerton called and said if Bell and Lackey weren't going we wouldn't have a strong enough team and he decided not to go," DiPrete continued. "At that point we asked Suzuki to support Danny LaPorte, which they considered, but then they decided since the top guys had dropped out they didn't want to support it any more and dropped out."

"I'm really sad about the whole thing," said Suzuki Race Team Manager and manager for the canceled team Mark Blackwell. "Kent was really pumped. He felt that with Bell and Sun we had a chance of winning it. But in the end we were doing it just to do it. We won't be able to prove to the world we're the greatest.

"The format in the future will have to be stronger--we may have to force a rider to go once he has committed himself. The FIM may become angry since this is the second year we didn't go, and our USGP sanctions may be in danger. Maybe if the riders would agree, part of the team's expenses could be financed with the AMA's point fund money."

Honda then called the AMA after deciding that if Suzuki, and Kawasaki weren't sending their riders to Europe, the chances for winning wouldn't be good and they would withdraw their riders, Sun and Wise. •



Honda stole the limelight at England's Earls Court Motorcycle Show with the launching of their CB1100R, a four-cylinder, four stroke cafe racer that puts out a claimed 115 hp with a top speed of over 140 mph. Fitted with a cafe fairing, the red, white and blue bike tips the scales at 512 pounds and features linked air suspension front and rear, twin-tandem cylinder disc brakes front and rear, and electric starter. Four carbs and 16 valves, controlled by double overhead camshafts, complete the main specs of the 1,062cc (70 x 69mm bore and stroke) five-speed bike which offers no room for a passenger in its cafe styling. Honda plans to offer only 100 of the CB1100R models in England this year and the price will exeed $7,000.

California Confidential Capitol

We couldn't believe our eyes when we received a recent press release from Assemblyman Bob Hayes' office. According to the release, our favorite Assemblyman not only became one of the very few freshmen legislators to receive a Committee Chairmanship, but the new committee assignment is right up his alley. On August 26, the Assembly established a brand new subcommittee on Public Lands, with Hayes as the *Chairman*. One of the first items of business for the new committee according to Hayes, will be to hold hearings on the BLM's desert planning process. As soon as we receive a schedule on the time and place of the meetings we will announce them here.

In the final days of this year's legislative session, the legislature passed two anti-wilderness resolutions. One resolution by Phil Wyman, whose district includes most of the California Desert seeks to postpone the BLM's Desert Planning Process, while the other by Chappie criticizes the passage of the House of Representatives of H.B. 7702 which would establish another two million acres of federal wilderness in California. Chappie's resolution requests the Senate to hold public hearings in California before further pursuing this devastating legislation. Your letter to Senators Alan Cranston and S.I. Hayakawa suggesting the same course of action would be helpful.

As we march quickly into the election season, an update on the political situation seems to be in order. We checked with CORPAC to see how the elections look for off-road riders and learned a lot. Right now CORPAC is receiving answers to a questionnaire which was mailed to all candidates for state office. These questionnaires will be reviewed by a selection committee, and in the case of incumbents, voting records will be examined. Within about two weeks, an endorsement list of candidates will be made available to the off-road press, clubs, CORPAC donors and as many others as possible.

In the case of candidates who receive major endorsements, either because they are particularly strong candidates, or they are running against particularly bad candidates, CORPAC will try to encourage local clubs and individuals to assist in these campaigns. Any money which has been raised by CORPAC will also be used to make direct donations to these campaigns. Hopefully we will be the ingredient which will push several favorable candidates over the top. If off roaders can repeat the victory we won in Hayes' election in 1978, we will have an easier time in the legislature, and with the agencies as well.

Bob Hayes also reminded us that many motorcycle clubs are under the false impression that if they donate to political campaigns that they will lose their non-profit corporation status. This is not so, clubs can make donations from their treasury without jeopardizing their status. The test is whether an organization spends an excessive amount of their time in political activities. An occasional donation to CORPAC or directly to a candidate's campaign is OK. Hayes explained that he expects to put out a letter to each club asking from such a donation. He figures that if each club would donate a sum of $100 or more, motorcyclists could be the key ingredient in at least a dozen elections statewide.

The concept sounds good, let's see if the clubs are up to it. Some have already responded. How about the rest of the clubs out there? Why not bring this up at your next meeting? There is still a little time to make a major impact on the next election. Can your group afford $100? $500? Can you afford not to? Donations should be mailed to CORPAC, P.O. Box 7332, Sacramento, CA 95826.

Clubs should also drop a note and tell CORPAC how many of their members might be willing to spend some time on a Saturday or Sunday helping on a local campaign. CORPAC wants to put motorcyclists directly into some targeted districts on the first weekend of October and November. Tell them where your club members live and which weekend you can help out.

Those persons who are concerned about the BLM desert plan should know that the final version is now at the printers. A preview will be given at a joint AMA/CORVA meeting Saturday, September 27, 1980 at the VFW Hall, 1664 South Huntington Dr., Duarte, CA. The meeting starts at 10 a.m. Call an AMA or CORVA rep for more details. •

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ON THE FRONT PAGE: Yamaha's 750cc V-twin with shaft drive, the Virago, was one of the new '81 Yamahas unveiled in Las Vegas over the weekend. More on pp. 12-13. Photo courtesy of Yamaha Motor Corp.

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VOICES

Assemblyman Brown fan

You recently printed the names of elected officials that should be supported at election time.

I think you left the most important one out, and I would like to nominate him at this time.

The two most critical issues that have faced the California motorist (that includes two and four wheel) were first: the outrageous state sales tax on top of the already over taxed gallon of gasoline (yes, we are one of only eight states that force its citizens to pay this unfair tax and that is why you pay less for gasoline in Arizona even though the gasoline may have been made in California).

Second issue: mandatory yearly vehicle inspection forced on us by the federal government. *Cycle News* (Aug. 28, 80) refered to some crooked dealing going on in regard to lobbying for the passage of that law by the state legislature. What *Cycle News* didn't say was that the vehicle inspection program law was to set up a vast bureaucracy costing the vehicle owners billions of dollars — and here is the big plus — the bill started off talking about an inspection of smog equipment, *but* then slipped in inspection of the *complete* vehicle under the term of mandatory safety inspection. Do you know how long it would take to get your vehicle inspected? They say it takes *three hours* now *just* for a smog inspection; add on to that a complete vehicle inspection and you are really talking about some time. Another plus is you would be paying a starting fee of $15 for the inspection and it could be raised at any time. Vehicle owners would be forced through this waste of time and money once a year. Top this off by the fact that there was no guarantee the inspection would work, that smog would be eliminated (in fact there is evidence that it would *not* work), and you can see that forced vehicle inspection is a very bad thing. While motorcycles were initially exemped from the inspection, I feel they would be forced in eventually. And since motorcyclists own vans, trucks and cars they would immediately be affected by an inspection law.

Now, doesn't this sound familiar? The federal government said either they were going to ram a yearly vehicle inspection down the throats of California motorists, or they were going to keep $740,000,000 of the money you sent to Washington and were supposed to get back for sewers and highways.

Guess what happened — Assemblyman Dennis L. Brown (R-Long Beach) put up a fight for you and me; the inspection bill was defeated in Sacramento. The federal government may have blackmailed us out of $740,000,000, but that was nothing to the billions we would have been paying under forced vehicle inspection.

Assemblyman Brown has also led the fight to repeal the unfair state sales tax on gasoline. He has not won that battle for us yet — but he will if he receives enough support from the citizens.

For the above reasons I nominate Assemblyman Dennis L. Brown to the *Cycle News* list of legislators who should be supported at election time.

M. BALDWIN
Wilmington, CA.

The June list of support-worthy candidates concentrated on races where there was a contest in the party primaries. A more complete list will run before November...Editor.

Grandma Duckbacker quacks into the 80s

Ever wonder where the federal government gets the money to expand its empire? In 1965 Congress established the Land and Water Conservation Fund. The yearly revenue is about $900 million, from "business activities" such as mineral lease sales, motorboat fuel taxes, recreation fees, etc. Ten billion dollars of fund revenues over the next 11 years are budgeted for federal land purchases. Interestingly enough, the federal government already owns more than one-third of all land in the United States and is steadily buying more.

A lot of people don't realize that that is what the Thanksgiving protest in the desert is. Not only a personal protest against the BLM and their policies, but the more serious protest by concerned people trying to draw attention to the fact that we don't want or need the federal government acquiring or governing our California land.

I personally question the ethics of the government body that will purchase land — in the name of the people of the U.S. — and then proceed to figure out ways to keep the people off of it.

We are now starting preparations for B-to-V '80. Our usual protest, by riding from somewhere east of Barstow to somewhere west of Las Vegas on existing roads and trails (of course!). As usual our protest ride is on the Saturday after Thanksgiving. Once again my children are excited about the weekend. But their uncle is with the USMC, somewhere in the mideast defending our right to make our protests in a *free* country. The grandfather will be there, as will I.

GRANDMA DUCKBACKER

P.S. The Phantom Duck needs the bucks more than ever for the lawsuit against the BLM and the Department of the Interior. It's the least we can do! Barstow to Vegas 1980 — Hope to see you there! Quack! Quack!

SCORE rip off

After hearing about *big* SCORE races with *big* money to be made, we entered in the 1980 SCORE World Championship (?) off-road race at Riverside, California. The initial entry fee was $200, plus $30 for insurance and $20 for membership. The announced purse for the motorcycle class was $7500 guaranteed plus, plus, plus...

After winning the Open class (22) and overall, (McKenna's elapsed times were 20 seconds faster in the first heat, not eight seconds slower than Giger's) we were told that we would receive our money in the mail...and so it came, all $682 of it. Figuring that if there were 100 riders (more or less) at $200 per rider, there would be $20,000 received from riders and maybe $7500 paid back.

So, if my headline, "rip off", is not justified, Sal Fish let me hear from you; but I think SCORE stinks!

JAN HOUTERMANS
Owner, Euro Cycles
Citrus Heights, CA

Thanks

On August 20, 1980 my son Richard was killed in an accident on Sierra Highway in Saugus. He was on his brother's motorcycle with his friend as a passenger. They were hit by a drunk driver, who was arrested for manslaughter and felony drunk driving. There was no way Richard could have avoided the accident.

I'd like to say thanks to all the people that were so nice to me and my family. It doesn't bring Richard back but it helps to have so many wonderful friends. There were around 250 people at his funeral. He would have been 18 on September 7.

He was a salesman for my company, working Newhall, Saugus, Palmdale, Lancaster, Bakersfield and the San Fernando Valley. He was such a good kid. His death was such a loss.

Thanks again to those nice people who cared.

LYNN WILSON
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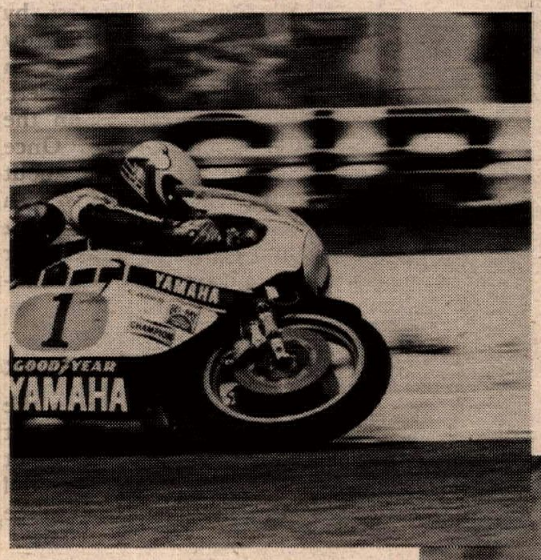


In 1978, Kenny Roberts took up the challenge of the 500 c.c. World Championship circuit. And won it his very first year out.

In 1979, in spite of missing the first two races because of injuries, Kenny took the crown again.

And now, just to prove the point, Kenny has taken the World Championship for the third time.

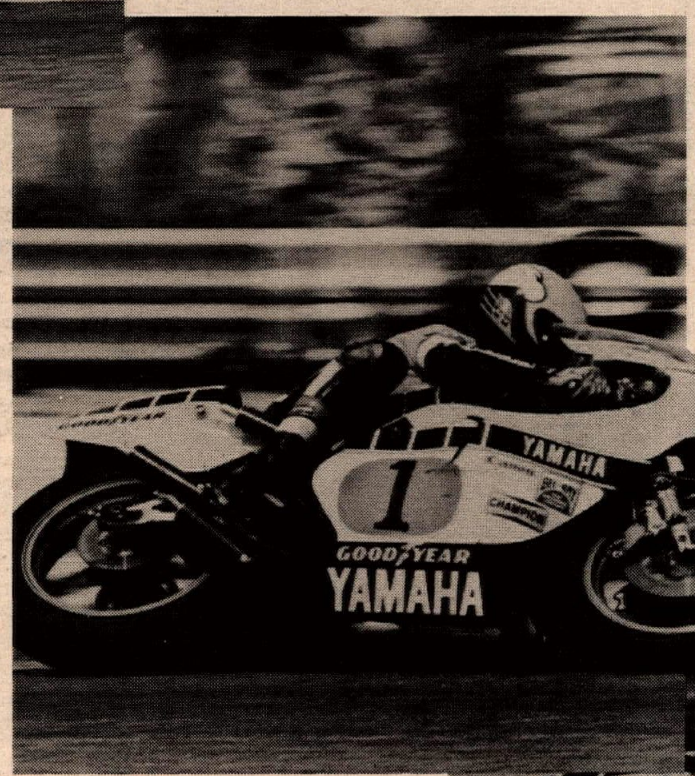
No one else has ever won the 500 c.c. World Championship three times in a row on his first three attempts. Kenny's string of three championships in just three attempts is unprecedented in the history of motorcycle racing.

What's more, Kenny is the only American to ever win the Championship, even once.

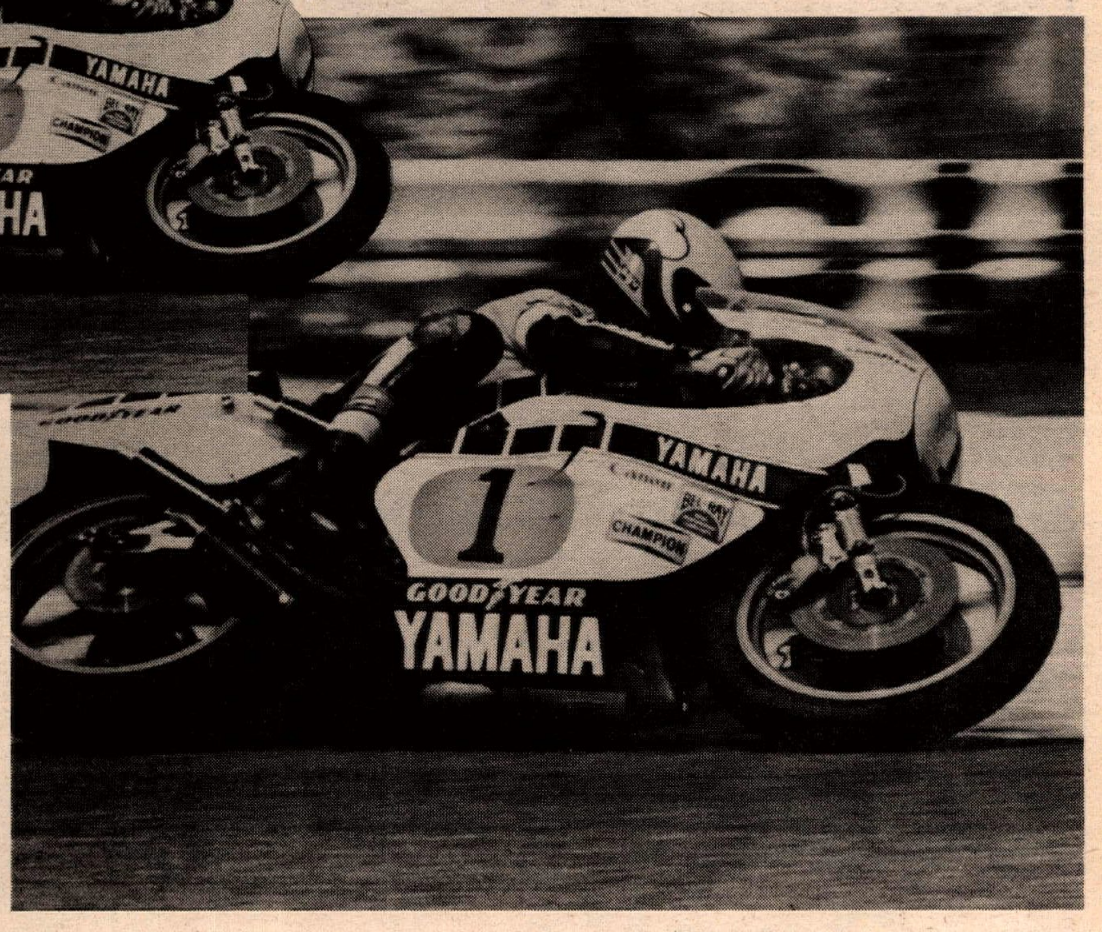
Needless to say, Kenny won all three Championships on Goodyear motorcyle racing tires.

Congratulations, Kenny! You've proved to the world — three times in a row — just how important it is to have the right tire between you and the road.

World Champions, **1978.**



World Champions, **1979.**



World Champions, **1980.**

FOR THE THIRD YEAR RUNNING, WE BEAT THE WORLD.

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QUALITY AND INNOVATION.

Syracuse was Gary Scott's first National win since August, 1978. (Inset) Scott had to pass early leader Mike Kidd.

AMA Grand National Championship/Winston Pro Series: Round 23

Syracuse Mile a Scott Affair — Gary's

By Gary Van Voorhis
Photos by Marc Lachapelle and Van Voorhis

SYRACUSE, NY, SEPT. 7

"It's been such a long time since I won a National (Des Moines half mile, Aug. 20, 1978), that I almost forgot what to do," joked Gary Scott after winning the KRW Helmets Syracuse Gold Cup Mile. "When Mike's (Kidd) rear wheel started to chatter real badly and I passed him, I knew that I had won, although on the last lap I had to ask myself if I really had that good of a lead."

The race for second went right down to the line where Harley-Davidson's Randy Goss eeked out a half wheel hold on the position from Arai-sponsored Ted Boody. While Goss was celebrating stretching his Winston Pro Series points lead to 16 (177-161) over Hank Scott, Boody was playing champagne shampoo over his first appearance in winner's circle since he won the 1979 Houston Short Track National.

Ride turnout at the New York State Fairgrounds facility was the slimmest in years with 36 riders making it to the heats. Defending Grand National Champion Steve Eklund and Alex Jorgensen were among the absent. Eklund went back to California to prepare for the September 21 San Jose Mile while Jorgensen was left without bikes when his sponsor also decided to regroup for San Jose.

Qualifying

Ricky Graham dropped Rex Beauchamp's 1976 one lap track record of 36.87 seconds to 36.51 in qualifying. Terry Poovey, Steve Morehead, Garth Brow, Gary Scott and Billy Schaeffer made it a six pack of record breakers.

Heats

Disaster was narrowly averted in the first heat when riders were started while there was a track grooming vehicle on the course heading into turn two in the opposite direction.

On the restart it was Graham, Gary Scott and Goss scorching the track in a three way duel for the lead. Goss finally got a wheel up, leaving it a fight for second. That ended when Graham and Scott touched in turn one, sending Graham into the bales and signaling the race complete at the end of eight laps. Ronnie Jones took third transfer on Graham's ouster.

"I guess I should have shut off," shrugged Graham. "I'll be back in the semi."

Poovey was out in the second heat to prove that his new Babe De May built Harley-Davidson XR-750 engine had the ponies to take it all. He displaced Schaeffer and Scott Parker in quick order while Parker and then Mike Rhoads dropped Schaeffer to fourth. The last laps saw Poovey and Parker home free while Rhoads took third from Schaeffer at the line.

Heat three was another shuffle affair in the early laps as Scott Pearson and Mike Kidd debated the lead. Morehead then joined in, but Kidd put in a determined bid and pulled away while Morehead held off Pearson's continuous challenges. On the final lap Morehead bobbled momentarily coming off turn two allowing Pearson to get past. He then drafted Pearson at the finish for second and a spot on the front row of the National since Kidd's time was the fastest of the heats.

The fourth heat had everyone on their toes as Brow, on a Storme Winters-owned XR, led Billy Labrie, Boody and Hank Scott in a game of one-on-one. Although there was plenty of shuffling, Brow still led at the end of eight laps. However, Brow then slipped off the groove and Scott took the lead as Boody came on strong from fourth and Labrie continued to hold second despite protesting his bike was slower than the others. A three-way draft at the flag saw Labrie nudge out Scott and Boody for the win. Brow went to the semi.

Semis

With only nine riders in each heat, all non-finishers automatically transferred to the semis although only nine of the 12 riders eligible for each made it. The first and second place finisher in each semi would go to the National.

Ricky Graham laid claim to the win in semi one proving that he had shaken off the effects of his heat race crash. Tom Berry got the nod for second after a long fight with Schaeffer that was decided by AMA officials at the finish line when the pair finished inches apart. "I think I got robbed," said Schaeffer.

Bubba Shobert, getting a stint aboard sidelined Jay Springsteen's H-D team bikes, won the second semi over Brow by less than a bikelength. Shobert, with a shot at Rookie of the Year, had blown up his best bike at Indy and asked for the ride. It paid off.

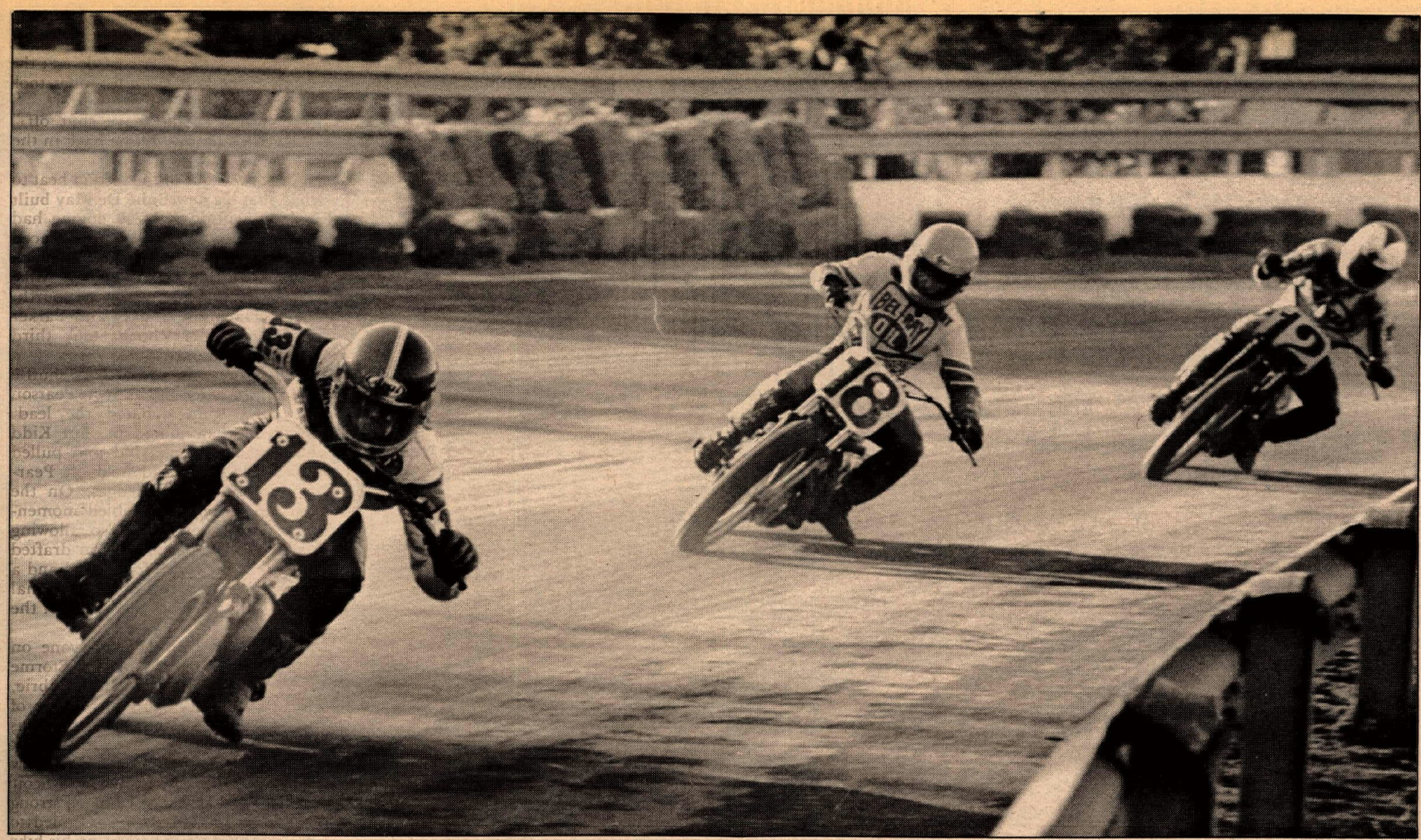
Honda 500cc Invitational Challenge

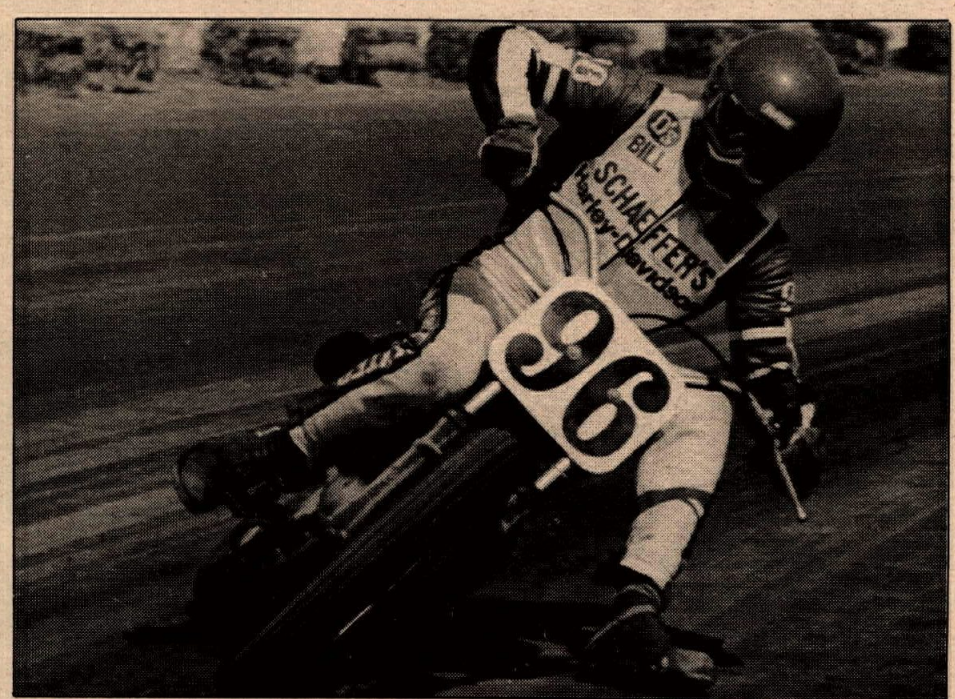
The combined Expert/Junior 500cc invitational event was won by Honda team rider Jeff Haney with teammate Mickey Fay only feet away at the finish. "It's a long way around (the track), but it sure is fun," said Haney.

The start saw fast qualifier Haney grab the lead immediately as Fay quickly moved into second. Junior division rider Jerry Bowman held onto a solid third until his bike expired two laps from the end. Third then became a two rider battle between Canadians Martin Lavoie and Jonathon Cornwell. Lavoie got the nod. Rod Farris was a closing fifth.

Trophy Race

Billy Schaeffer, riding a Tex Peel bike, took the Trophy Race win but it didn't come easily. Schaeffer had Bubba Rush to contend with and then Scott Drake put on a rocket-like charge that carried him into the lead leaving the rest to fight for scraps.





(Top) Randy Goss (13) finished second but Ted Boody (12) got around Terry Poovey (18) for third. (Above right) Bill Schaeffer was the trophy race winner. (Above left) Jeff Haney (11E) and Mickey Fay were 1-2 in the 500cc Invitational.

On lap seven Drake's bike slowed momentarily and he picked up the pace in third. He coasted to a stop two laps later. Schaeffer held off Rush at the finish.

National

There was plenty of activity in the pits prior to the National, especially in Hank Scott's area where a dozen hands were frantically tearing apart and then putting his engine back together. "It's the oil pump or something," said Scott. The oil won't circulate. It slowed down in the final laps of the heat race. Sure, it's a major, but "Grogg" (Gary Peel) and Tom (Cummings) have a lot of good help."

Kidd took advantage of his outside (grandstand) pole position to come up with the lead as the field hit the back stretch. Gary Scott ended that one lap later with a pass into turn three and led Kidd, Labrie, Pearson, Poovey and Boody as the second lap ended. Hank Scott, Goss and Graham were all in mid-pack traffic. On the next lap Labrie slipped off the narrow groove and lost five positions.

Scott lost the lead to Kidd on the fourth tour and the pair began to play a cat-and-mouse game, probing for weaknesses while drawing away from the pack by using their draft. The pair played for 12 laps with Kidd in front where it counted.

Poovey and Boody couldn't make up their minds on who had third and traded it back and forth at will for the next dozen laps. Meanwhile, Goss was making headway, having slowly worked up to sixth on lap eight and fifth by lap 14. Then he sets his sights on Poovey and Boody.

Pearson had been as high as fourth early on and was a strong fifth for the middle of the 25 lap National. He dropped out with apparent engine problems on lap 18 joining similarly affected Garth Brow who ended his ride on lap 13. Jones, with a dropped valve on lap 22, and Morehead with ignition problems on lap 24 would complete the retirements.

Gary Scott took the lead from Kidd on lap 17 with Kidd coming right back. Kidd then encountered rear wheel chatter under heavy braking and that was all Scott needed. He was past and gone while Kidd quickly slipped to eighth. Poovey jumped into second ahead of Goss, Boodie, Labrie and Graham to set the final laps.

Scott continued his cruise to victory and the checkered flag unchallenged while Poovey, with a slowing engine, couldn't hold off the charges of Goss and then Boody. Goss was up on Boody at the finish by less than a bike length. Labrie edged Graham for fifth by an even closer margin.

"It's nice to be back on the upswing again and I don't think I could be without the help of J.R. Kelley of KK Motorcycle Supply and Jack Sisemore of Sisemore Traveland who are my sponsors. I also owe a lot to Edgar Fuhr who taught me all about Harleys. He's given me a lot of support." Fuhr, who suffered a heart attack seven weeks ago, was in the pits, said Scott. ●

Results

NATIONAL: 1. Gary Scott (H-D); 2. Randy Goss (H-D); 3. Ted Boody (H-D); 4. Terry Poovey (H-D); 5. Billy Labrie (H-D); 6. Ricky Graham (H-D); 7. Hank Scott (H-D); 8. Mike Kidd (H-D); 9. Bubba Shobert (H-D); 10. Scott Parker (H-D); 11. Mike Rhoads (H-D); 12. Tom Berry (H-D); 13. Steve Morehead (H-D); 14. Ronnie Jones (H-D); 15. Scott Pearson (H-D); 16. Garth Brow (H-D).
TIME: 15 min., 3.697 sec.
AVERAGE SPEED: 99.591 mph. (Record)

TROPHY RACE: 1. Billy Schaeffer (H-D); 2. Bubba Rush (H-D); 3. Rob Crabbe (H-D); 4. Gene Romero (H-D); 5. Willie Crabbe (H-D); 6. Peter Grant (H-D); 7. Jackie Mitchell (H-S); 8. Terry Brow (H-D); 9. Scott Drake (H-D); 10. Gene Church (H-D).
TIME: Seven min., 24.361 sec.
AVERAGE SPEED: 97.218 mph. (Record)

AMA GRAND NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP/WINSTON PRO SERIES POINT STANDINGS: 1. Randy Goss (177); 2. Hank Scott (161); 3. Ricky Graham (151); 4. Gary Scott (131); 5. Mike Kidd (128); 6. Steve Morehead (107); 7. Billy Labrie (102); 8. Scott Parker (89); 9. Scott Pearson (86); 10. Rich Schlachter (85); 11. Ted Boody (79); 12. Alex Jorgensen (76); 13. Steve Eklund (74); 14. Terry Poovey (68); 15. Ronnie Jones (55); 16. Kenny Roberts (53); 17. Mickey Fay (49); 18. Bruce Hammer (46); 19. (TIE) Wayne Rainey/Jay Springsteen (43).

Mark Barnett. 1980 125cc

August 31, 1980, was a day that Team Suzuki rider Mark Barnett won't soon forget. Three points behind in the National MX Series points standings, the 125cc National Championship was on the line at Sunshine Speedway in St. Petersburg, Florida.

On a very bumpy deep sand track, in 90-degree heat and extreme humidity, Mark went all out to score 2-1 moto finishes for the overall win. And the 125cc National Motocross Championship.

Congratulations, Mark. It was a great way to wrap up the year, and another championship, for Suzuki.

Meanwhile, Suzuki rider Danny LaPorte showed his fine form by winning both 500cc motos and collecting the overall win.

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ISDT PREVIEW

GEARING UP FOR GOLD IN FRANCE

By Gary Van Voorhis

The countryside surrounding the south Central French town of Brioude will come alive with the sound of motorcycles September 22-28 as the 55th International Six Days Trial takes place. Over 400 riders will be on hand representing 19 nations in what is referred to as the Olympics of motorcycling. Among that number will be a 40 rider contingent from the U.S.

American riders have become a force to reckon with in international competition showing championship or championship contender form in world class road racing and trials as well as MX and speedway. The last field and perhaps the hardest to conquer is the ISDT. 1980 marks the start of our second decade of competition -- although there were some American riders competing before 1970, it wasn't effort.

Our World Trophy Team entry will be out to better the fourth place finishes we carded in 1974 and again in 1976. Our best Silver Vase Team finish was a win in 1973.

For the second year our Trophy Team members will be riding several brands unlike the one marque teams of 1970-78. John Morgan, Suzuki's enduro-trials team manager will manage this year's team and has a talent laden squad to work with. Husqvarna riders Dick Burleson, Frank Gallo and Ed Lojak will be joined by Yamaha's Larry Roeseler, Suzuki's Mike Rosso and KTM's Frank Stacy. Gallo and Roeseler will contest the 500cc class while Rosso will be our 175cc entry. The rest of the team -- Burleson, Lojak and Stacy -- will be on 250cc machinery.

Although it would appear there would be inherent problems in supporting four makes on one team, team manager Morgan feels there is no problem and is pleased with the team.

"Our support efforts are now unified," said Morgan, "We will be able to take care of our own riders unlike past years where teams were dependent upon the factory -- Husqvarna, KTM, etc. -- to provide a great deal of support. We are now basically self sufficient and that is a definite asset to the riders.

"The machinery has reached a state of the art where the works equipment or specialized bikes the European powers are using is no longer the advantage it was a few years ago.

"As far as the team goes," continued Morgan, "everyone, with the exception of Stacy has ridden the ISDT before. Now that doesn't mean he is the new kid on the block. His background in MX, his love of trail riding and his mechanical ability are all a plus. I'm damn proud to have him.

"I don't want to go out on a limb, but I feel that with the riders we have we should be able to do better than any team before us."

Burleson, with nine previous ISDT's under his fanny pack, is the elder statesman on the team. Rosso has ridden in four, Gallo in three, Roeseler in two, Lojak in one and Stacy is a rookie.

The question is obvious: Why put a rookie on the Trophy Team? The answer, if you've seen Stacy ride, is also obvious. He's damn good. Of course you can't tell what a rider will do under the pressure of the Six Days, but Stacy made believers out of many with his cool riding in the ISDT Qualifier Series. He posted the top score in two of the events -- no mean feat for a rider who had never competed in such events before.

Stacy should be looked upon as one of the new breed and the way our team will have to go if we are to become a challenging power. As Burleson put it, "What we need are six Bob Hannahs on the Trophy Team. Six bullet fast MXers who can also ride trails and maintain their bikes. The other teams are made up of riders who for the most part spend the entire year training and riding in their MX National Championships."

Ed Lojak comes to the Trophy Team with two overall top scores in the ISDT Qualifier Series also. The youngest member on the team, Lojak missed one series event so that he could attend his graduation ceremonies at Highlands High School in Tarentum, Pennsylvania. He collected a silver medal in last year's ISDT after a fall on Day Five broke his collarbone. Lojak continued to ride, but was also hampered by bike problems.

Larry Roeseler should find that his desert racing experience gives him an edge in France if reports about the terrain hold true. Roeseler is the most adaptable rider we have for he goes just as fast in the woods as he does dodging cactus. Our top eastern riders have never been able to master the idea of not having any trees to weave through when the Qualifier Series hits California. As the top American rider in West Germany last year, Roeseler has a very good chance to repeat. He was Husqvarna mounted in his only two ISDT rides and will be aboard a Yamaha this time.

Frank Gallo needs no introduction. "Fast Frank" as many call him is just that -- fast. His riding style has been described as more like that of a berserk bulldozer than the finesse some riders display in the woods. Physical strength and an inborn sense of balance seem to work in equal parts for Gallo when it comes to riding on the ragged edge. Gallo, who did not ride in last year's event, due to a broken wrist that wasn't sufficiently healed, switched from KTM to Husqvarna early in the season.

Mike Rosso proved himself to be the iron man of the ISDT Qualifier Series carding seven gold medals in seven events -- the last three with a leg injury that hampered his riding and walking. Rosso was one of nine American riders to finish infamous Day Five in the 1977 Czechoslovakian ISDT -- the standard by which many rate just how tough things can get. His gutty performance earned a silver medal. Not only does Rosso ride, but he is also in charge of preparation for the Team Suzuki bikes.

This will be Dick Burleson's tenth ISDT. He is well on his way to a seventh consecutive AMA National Championship Enduro Series title and would like nothing better than to add his seventh straight gold medal.

"I feel we have a pretty strong team in terms of overall capability," said Burleson. "Our strongest point is that we have the strongest special test squad we've ever had. I believe it will boil down to the special test scores because I doubt we will see much mud or wet weather. The trails will be rocky, hard and fast which will probably cause a lot of tire wear and flat tires. We stand a good chance of making a very good showing."

Silver Vase

Our four man Silver Vase Team will be headed up by a trio of Kawasaki riders -- Jack Penton, Ted Leimbach and Kevin Lavoie plus Suzuki rider John Ayers. Ayers and Lavoie will contest the 500cc class while Leimbach will be in the 250cc division and Penton in the 175cc class. Team Kawasaki rider Jeff Hill, who failed to qualify for the ISDT, will manage the team.

John Ayers, a long time National Championship MX rider, rode in his first ISDT last year and carded a gold medal. He, like Frank Stacy, combines MX skills, trail riding savvy and mechanical expertise into his program. Ayers came back from problems in the first two ISDT Qualifier rounds to pick up 500cc class wins in the final two rounds.

Teddy Leimbach is heading for his fourth ISDT and another shot at turning in the best score of an American rider. He was our top 250cc rider in last year's ISDT. The soft spoken college student -- agricultural economics at Ohio State University -- would probably say that he had a bad year in the qualifiers since he did not turn in a class winning ride or an overall best score. Leimbach loves to ride and ride fast.

Kevin Lavoie always seems to rise to the occasion and the ISDT is the occasion. Lavoie, in his sixth run for the gold, will be looking to add another top placing in class as he did last year with the best American score in the 350cc division. There is no 350cc class this year so Lavoie has moved into 500cc competition. In the off season and on days when he isn't out kicking up dust, Lavoie tends the bar in his family's restaurant in Chepachet, Rhode Island.

Jack Penton rode his first ISDT in 1970 and was a member of the Vase Team. He has been a Trophy or Vase Team member every year since. This year Penton took on a new role -- that of team manager. He proposed to Kawasaki that he run their off-road effort and develop it. They bought the program and that was the start of True Sport Development and Kawasaki's committment to the enduro and ISDT crowd.

"Things are really looking good," said Penton in reference to the Vase Team. "We're working our tails off and everyone is charged up. If things click off for us then we should do really well because we have a very competitive squad. I haven't spoken to John (Ayers) lately, but I believe things are going smoothly on his end. John Morgan (of Suzuki) is taking care of his bike so we should be in good shape all around. I thing we'll be right in the thick of things. The key for every rider is to be both physically and mentally fit. If you are, you've won half the battle." •

ISDT TEAMS

Trophy Team: 1. Frank Gallo (500 Hus); 2. Larry Roeseler (500 Yam); 3. Frank Stacy (250 KTM); 4. Dick Burleson (250 Hus); 5. Ed Lojak (250 (Hus) 6. Mike Rosso (175 Suz). Team Manager: John Morgan.

Vase: 1. John Ayers (500 Suz); 2. Ted Leimbach (250 Kaw); 3. Jack Penton (175 Kaw); 4. Kevin LaVoie (500 Kaw). Team Manager: Jeff Hill.

MANUFACTURERS TEAM

Yamaha I: 1. Larry Roeseler (500 Yam); 2. Jim Fishback (500 Yam); 3. Rick Munyon (250 Yam). Team Manager: Bill Bell.

Suzuki: 1. Drew Smith (250 Suz); 2. Jeff Fredette (250 Suz); 3. Mike Rosso (175 Suz). Team Manager: Gus Blakely.

Husqvarna: 1. Frank Gallo (500 Hus); 2. Dick Burleson (250 Hus); 3. Ed Lojak (250 Hus). Team Manager: Jon Stillman.

KTM: 1. Darryl Kuenzer (250 KTM); 2. Rod Bush (175 KTM); 3. Frank Stacy (250 KTM). Team Manager: Jack Lehto.

Can-Am: 1. Bob Pearce (125 C-A); 2. John Martin (250 C-A); 3. Barry Avery (250 C-A). Team Manager: Steve Brand.

Kawasaki: 1. Ted Leimbach (250 Kaw); 2. Jack Penton (175 Kaw); 3. Kevin LaVoie (500 Kaw). Team Manager: Mark Dodd.

Yamaha II: 1. John Fero (250 Yam); 2. Ron Ribolzi (175 Yam); 3. Chuck Miller (250 Yam). Team Manager: Kevin Hagerty.

CLUB TEAM

Garden State Enduro Riders: 1. Dane Leimbach (125 Kaw); 2. Mark Hyde (175 Kaw); 3. Matt Cullins (175 Yam). Team Manager: Mark Ives.

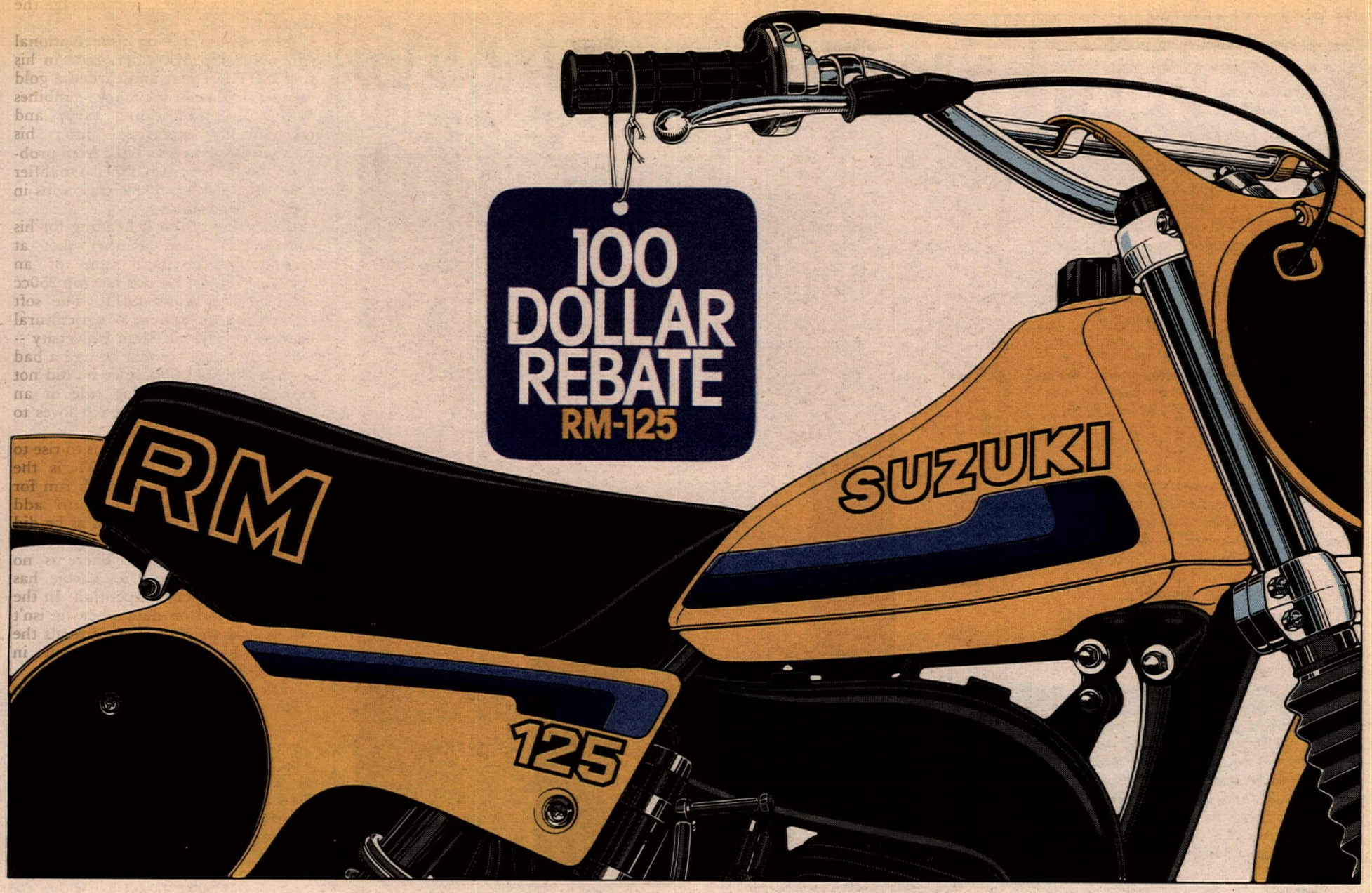
Perry Mountain M.C: 1. Mike Melton (250 Hus); 2. Greg Davis (125 Hus); 3. Ray Cosgrove (500 Suz). Team Manager: Richard Claypoole.

Norsemen M.C.: 1. Frank Piasecki (500 KTM); 2. Rusty Reynaud (125 Hus); 3. Kevin Brown (250 Suz). Team Manager: Dick France.

Six Pence M.C.: 1. Terry Cunningham (250 Hus); 2. Steve VanWatermuelen (500 Mai); 3. Bruce Ogilvie (500 Yam). Team Manager: Gary Reynaud.

Dawn Patrol: 1. Bill Berroth (175 KTM); 2. Dean Joyner (175 Suz); 3. Jack Johnson (500 Yam). Team Manager: Marv Munyon.

Larson's Racing Team: 1. Carl Cranke (500 SWM); 2. Scot Harden (500 Hus); 3. Carl Altier (500 KTM). Team Manager: Art Solomon.



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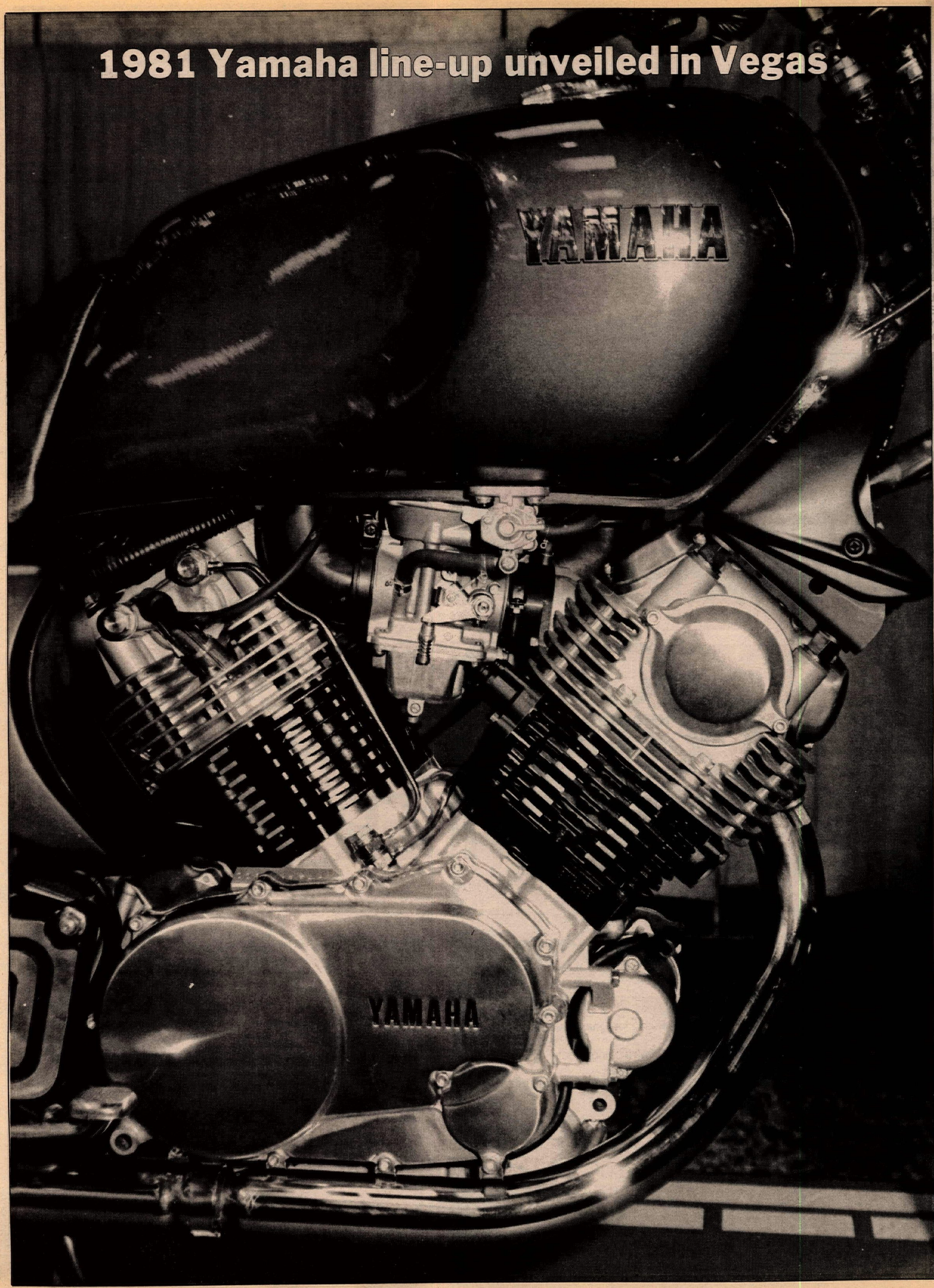
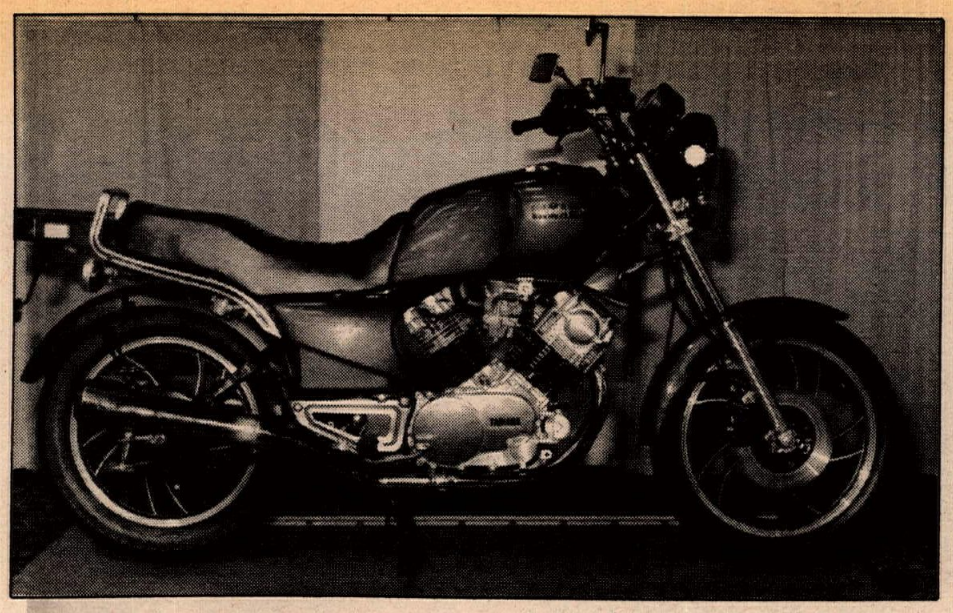
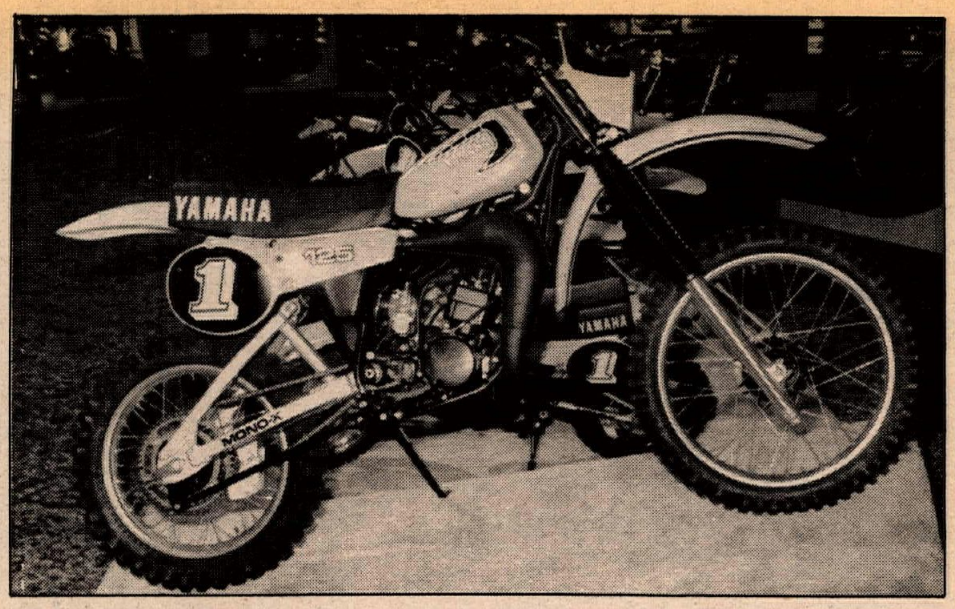
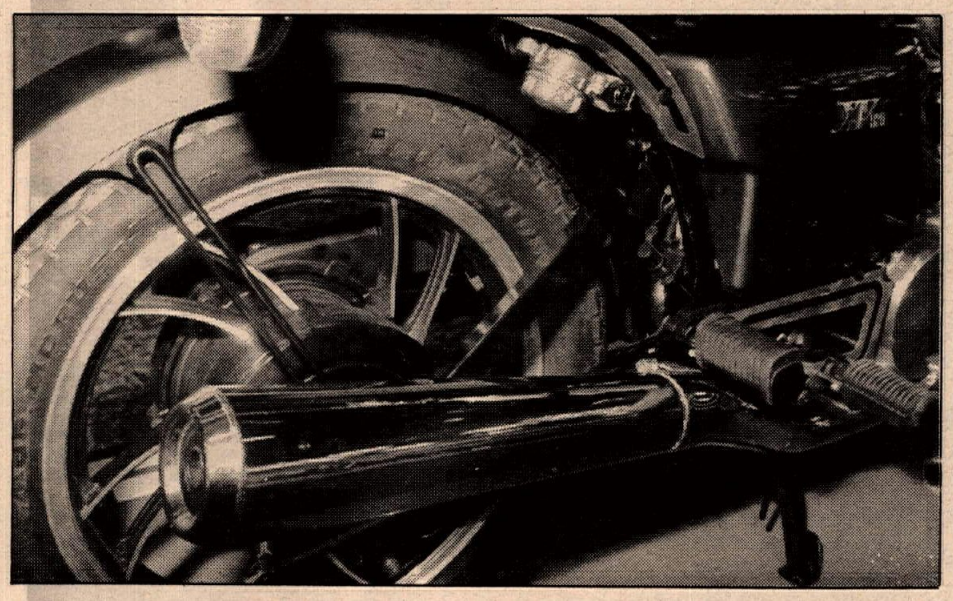


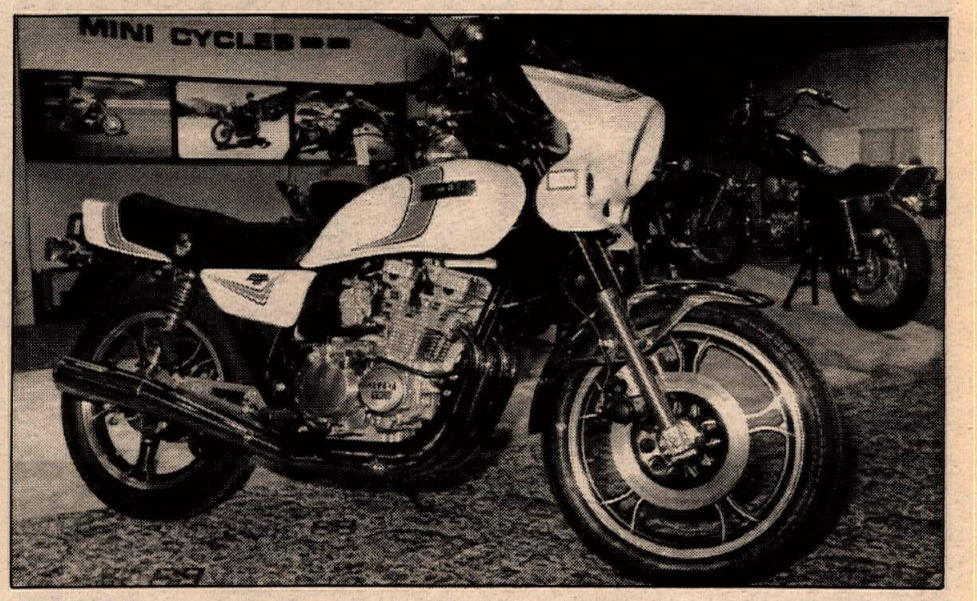


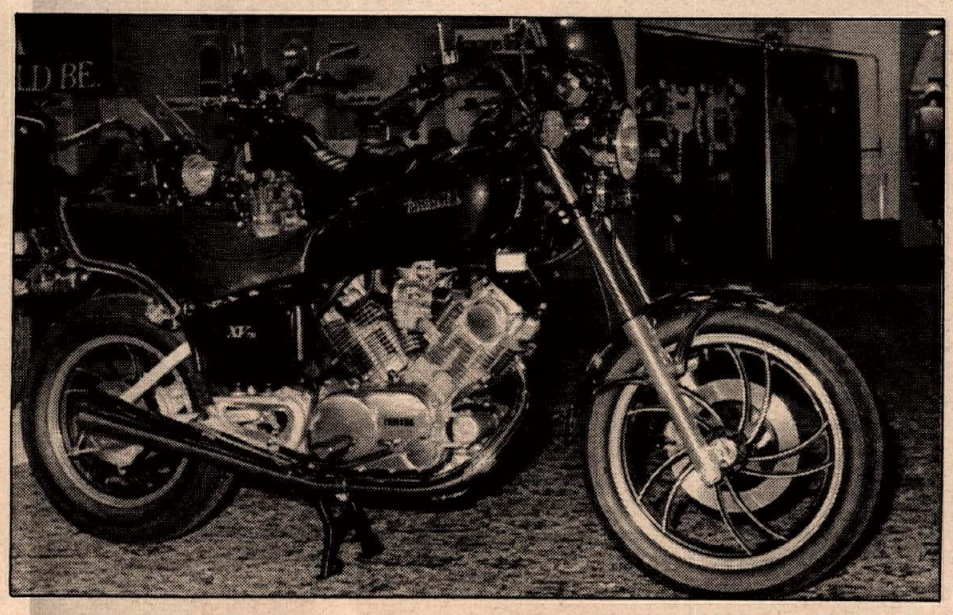
(Left, above and below) Yamaha's latest leviathan, the XV920RH features European styling with flat bars, large tank and double discs up front. The V-twin, adjustable monoshock suspension and enclosed chain drive are all-new for Yamaha.



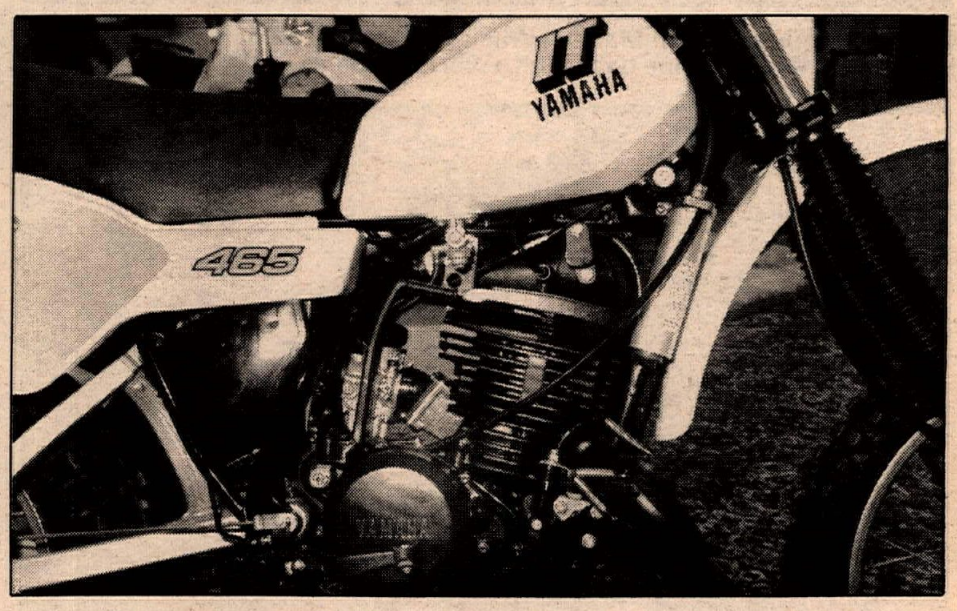
(Above) Here's that new 125cc watercooled MXer we've been waiting for, the 1981 YZ125. With 11.8" (300mm) front and rear suspension, it's got to be the tallest bike Yamaha sells. (Below) The Seca 550 is a 401 lb. sports machine with a new 528cc motor.



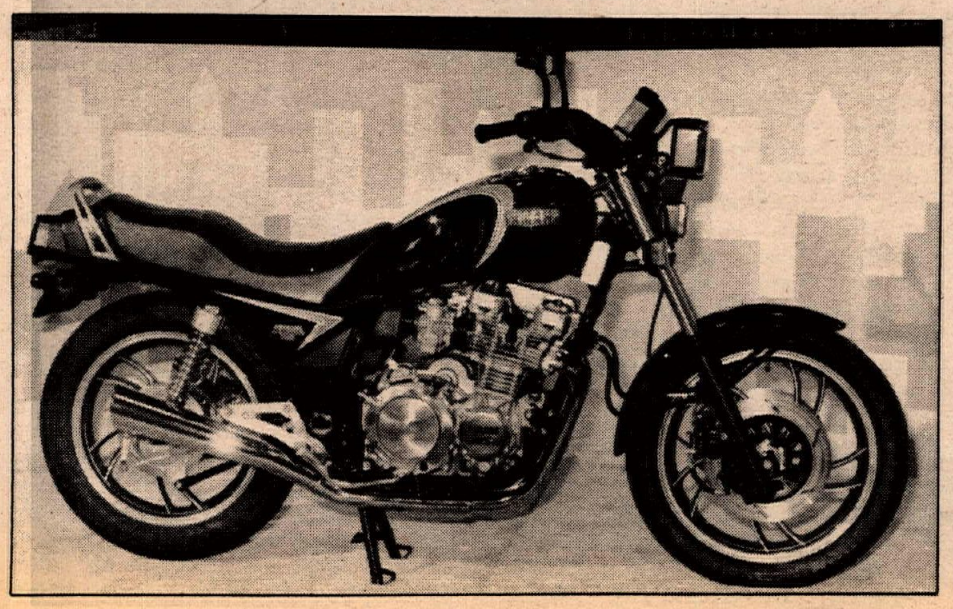


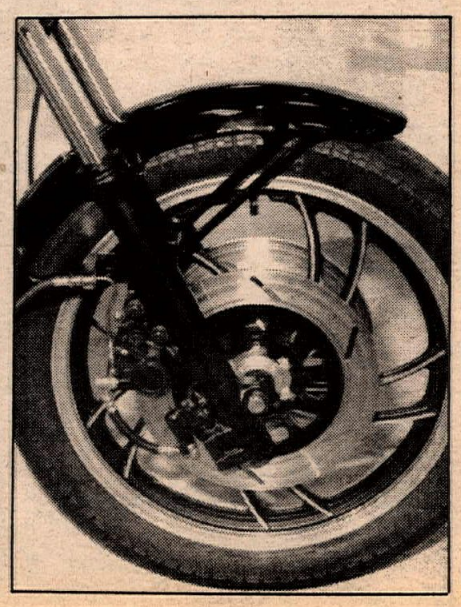


Yamaha introduced two new 750cc models, the 748cc V-twin, monoshock Virago (above) and the 748cc four-cylinder Seca (below). The Seca features YICS for more efficient combustion and better gas mileage, an anti-dive front suspension and computerized monitor system.



(Above) The anticipated IT465 showed up. (Below left) Yamaha Energy Induction System reduces fluctuations in the reed valve induction system so that the carb can be more accurately jetted. (Below right) Yamaha's Anti-Dive suspension system is sensitive to front brake usage.





Lane Leavitt (above) beat Marland Whaley (below) by a single point (44-45) in Ohio, but Whaley came back with a win in Alabama.

AMA/NATC Nat'l. Championship Observed Trials Series: Round 3

Buckeye Leavittized by Lane

By Len Weed
Photos by Keela and Wick Wicker

NEWCOMERSTOWN, OH, AUG. 30

Seven — count 'em — seven National titles crammed in one little pickup. Lane Leavitt, three-time champion, and Marland Whaley, four-time champion, trucked to Ohio together. The title-heavy twosome evidently traded some heavy-duty trap tips en route. They took turns posting low lap scores, and when the dust...er, *goop*...had settled, it was Leavitt by one point over Whaley, 44 to 45.

He also won Trials, Inc.'s last Buckeye National, in 1978, with a score of three. The TI braintrust moved the trial site to Abner Cycle Hills, 400 acres of forested hills. The cycle park is located outside of Newcomerstown, hometown of baseball's legendary Cy Young.

Despite the severe flooding in Ohio earlier in the month, there wasn't a single mudhole section. However, heavy rainfall does tend to activate the vegetation. Clerk of the Course Dave Sarnowski, Roger Ansel, Wayne Kirk and Mark Koehler showed up the week before the trial to stake-in the pre-selected sections. But they had to hack their way to them first.

Trials, Inc., formed in 1973, draws its members from Ohio and Western PA. The club laid out a well-marked eight-mile loop. Championship riders tackled 18 sections twice. The support classes rode 14 each loop.

Entries totalled 111, about 20 more than the western rounds drew. As the series resumed after a three-month summer break, Oregon's Brad Skreen held on to an 11-point lead over Canadian Bill Sparks. Skreen posted a second in the NorCal opener. Then won in SoCal on his Montesa West of Portland/Skreen Construction-sponsored Montesa. Sparks did not make the trip east. Neither did Mark Eggar. And Don Sweet, New England's perpetual champion, didn't venture south.

Leavitt started strong, posting a 20 on the first loop to lead Whaley by five. Marland dropped his score to 20 on the final go around, but it wasn't quite enough.

Whaley's second straight second (plus a second place finish that was lost on a time disqualification) moved him within seven points of Skreen for the series lead. Brad, one of the original Furry Freak Brothers of the Great Northwest, finished seventh.

Scott Head, who just turned 18, made it a SoCal sweep in Buckeye Land, taking third on his Bay Area Bultaco. That's the best finish to date for Head, a protege of Bernie Schreiber who has been competing in trials for less than four years. Last year he posted four fifths to rank eighth nationally. Scott, Number Two in SoCal trials last year and duelling Mark Eggar for Number One this year, moved up to fourth in the points race, two behind Leavitt.

Jack Stites, riding his new yellow Tryals Shope SWM, claimed fourth. Jack, the only Eastern currently in the top 10, finished just 1.8 points behind Head. Rounding out the top 10 were Morgan Kavanaugh, Marv Heath (who bested Skreen for the Pacific Northwest Championship), Brad Skreen, Mike Komer, Keith Adams, and John Stanicar.

Pennsylvanian Nils Mantzoros, second in the Sportsman class at the SoCal round, moved up one notch for his first win of the year. Three points behind, Brian Lewis edged Christopher Arnold on cleans.

Steve McNeal (Albama) picked up his second High School win of the year, easily topping Michael Passino of New York.

Don Wilcox (Wisconsin) ended Norm Sayler's winning string in the Super Senior class with a 15-point victory. Jay Kavanaugh, Morgan's dad, finished third.

In Senior action, Bud Mylerberg took his second win of the year. Glen McNeal finished 16 markers back. Carl Peters (New York) was third as Curt Comer, Sr. took fourth.

Meanwhile, Curt Comer, Jr., winner of the NorCal opener on his Cosmopolitan/Motor City MCY Montesa, extended his run of bad luck. Last May a bizarre one-mile an hour crash put him over the bars into a tree limb in southern California. Dazed, he finished out of the top 10. The Ohio get-off was even freakier. Curt made it to the top of a hill section clean, but as he came to a stop he lost his balance and tumbled all the way back to the bottom, with his bike cartwheeling behind him. His frame was tweaked enough by the fall to force his retirement.

Results

CHAMPIONSHIP: 1. Lane Leavitt (Bul) 44; 2. Marland Whaley (Mon) 45; 3. Scott Head (Bul) 59.2; 4. Jack Stites (SWM) 61; 5. Morgan Kavanaugh (Bul) 63; 6. Marv Heath (Bul) 66; 7. Brad Skreen (Mon) 67; 8. Mike Komer (Mon) 70; 9. Keith Adams (Bul) 74; 10. Wayne Woldschuck (Yam) 76; 11. John Stanicar (Mon) 76; 12. Bill Burgener (Bul) 77.

SPORTSMAN: 1. Nils Montzoros (Mon) 67; 2. Brian Lewis (SCW) 70; 3. Christopher Arnold (Mon) 70; 4. David Webster (Bul) 74; 5. Marshall Jones (SWM) 76; 6. Norman Colin (Bul) 81; 7. Cain Blackwood (Hon) 81; 8. Ted Arment (Mon) 82; 9. Martin McLeod (Bul) 86; 10. Carlton Benedict (Mon) 88.

SENIOR: 1. Bud Mylerberg (Bul) 56; 2. Glen McNeal (Bul) 72; 3. Carl Peters (Bul) 77; 4. Curt Comer, Sr. (Bul) 84; 5. Gil Smith (Bul) 95; 6. Robert Capistrant (Bul) 96; 7. Gene Tuck (Bul) 100; 8. Brian Aherne (Bul) 102; 9. Len Weed 102; 10. David Hammer (Mon) 104.

SUPER SENIOR: 1. Don Wilcox (Bul) 94; 2. Norm Sayler (Bul) 109; 3. Jay Kavanaugh (Bul) 115; 4. ARt Webster (Bul) 118; 5. Edward Newmartin (Bul).

HIGH SCHOOL: 1. Steve McNeal (Mon) 64; 2. Michael Passimo (Mon) 83.

CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS STANDINGS: 1. Brad Skreen (Mon) 31; 2. Marland Whaley (Mon) 24; 3. Lane Leavitt (Bul) 22; 4. Scott Head (Bul) 20; 5. Jack Stiles (SWM)/Morgan Kavanaugh (Bul) 17; 7. Bill Sparks (Mon) 16; 8. Curt Comer (Mon) 15.8; 9. Mark Eggar (Mon) 14.

AMA/NATC Nat'l. Championship Observed Trials Series — Round 4

Whaley back on top with Dixie Dandy

By Len Weed
Photos by Keela and Wick Wicker

MORGAN CITY, AL, SEPT. 1

The sun rises in the East, summer follows spring, and Marland Whaley heads the U.S. Trials Championship series. So what else is new?

Marland's first win this year, paired with two seconds, vaulted him past Brad Skreen for a seven-point lead.

Marland won in typical Whaley fashion — total race face concentration for an amazing final loop performance. He dropped just two dabs in his final 15 rides.

Whaley was the first loop leader with a 10. He faltered on the second, dropping 17, Morgan Kavanaugh, Number One in Colorado and Number Six in the last year, and Curt Comer, current Colorado points leader, posted low score 13, for the second loop. That left Kavanaugh three up on Whaley

for the final go-round.

Then Marland cranked out a seven while Kavanaugh lost 17. That gave him the win, 34 to 41. Scott Head's 11 on the final loop brought him within three of Kavanaugh and gave him his second third of the weekend. That moved Head up to third in the series point standings.

The second of Kavanaugh, riding on a Alpine Motor Sports Bultaco, was his best to date in National competition. Morgan, 20, a former Nationally-ranked speed skater, did not know he was the leader as the final loop began because Whaley was riding behind him.

Curt Comer, Jr. was turkey-hit for his third straight National since winning the series opener. He borrowed a frame after his crash Saturday and rebuilt his bike. Several crashes on the final loop led to his retiring from the trial.

Marv Heath, Pacific Northwest champion, finished fourth. That, plus a sixth in Ohio, moved him up to tenth on the points table. He failed to score in the two opening rounds before returning to his familiar Bultaco mount.

Jack Stites was again the top placing eastern rider, finishing sixth, Wayne Galvin, eighth was the only other easterer to make the top ten. Wayne, ninth in the nation last year, is President of the New England Trails Association.

The trial site in northwest Alabama had been the scene of the dramatic showdown between Bernie Schreiber and Lane Leavitt for the "78" National title. In fact, 11 of the 17 sections were repeats from that trial. After winning that trial Schreiber indicated that he felt the terrain would be suitable for a possible World Championship round. A number of riders picked the trial as best of the year to date.

The entry rode three loops around a 12½ mile course that wandered over 2000 acres of heavily-forested slopes belonging to a local timber company. The trees were greatly appreciated. With high humidity and temperatures in the 90's, the day could have become a real endurance test if the entire course had not been tree-shrouded.

Championship riders tacked 17 sections while the support classes rode 12 each loop. A number of sections were cleanable by the "average" support rider who often faces a three-five afternoon at many Nationals. Of course, this meant quite a few easy sections for the top riders, but the five championship only sections sorted them out. Those five sections were aptly named: Meat Grinder, Pennsylvania Steps, Manhandler and Gotcha I and II, a 100-yard rock gully climb.

The Dixie National was organized by the Huntsville Trials Club and the Southeastern Trials Riders Association. Glen McNeal was Clerk of the Course. Glen, battling Bud Mylerberg for the Senior championship elected to stay off the pegs to coordinate the trial. Thus he passed up a probable win on his home ground that would have evened him in the win column with the Washington college professor.

The Huntsville Trials Club slaves — Russ and Joe Applegate and Fred Steele — were key organizational assistants to McNeal who praised the enthusiasm of the STRA work parties. As an example, he cited Don Wrenn who made a thousand-mile round trip to work on set-up. The Arab Alabama Rescue Squad — an all-volunteer paramedics organization — handled the concessions and had ambulance assistance available if needed.

In support action, Dave Weber notched his second win of the year, edging Jim Pullins by three.

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Bernie Schreiber won in Finland though Ulf Karlson placed second, virtually wrapping up the championship.

Bud Mylerberg scored his third straight Senior win. Carl Peters was just four off the pace. Peters will be coordinating the 1981 U.S. World Trials, tentively scheduled for Watkins Glen, New York. Curt Comer, Sr. finished third. Curt, eligible for Super Senior, prefers to compete in the larger 33-44 age class. His results to date, had he signed up for Super Senior, would have netted him three wins and a second.

The Super Seniors class saw a dramatic ending to the clash between Don Wilcox and Norm Sayler. Wilcox, delayed by a condensor problem and saddled with time penalty points, was originally listed as losing out to Sayler by .2 point. But a scoring error was detected and he won by 1.8. Wilcox and Saylor now have two wins apiece.

Steve NcNeal, Glen's son, won his third straight in the High School class. He then doubled up by winning the twelve-and-over class in the Eastern regional bicycle trial at day's end. Joel West topped the 11-and-under class.

Brad Skreen's eastern expedition saw him slip down to number two in the points standings. But at least he had an entire summer atop the mountain. Now the spotlight is keyed on the dual purpose talents of Marland Whaley. No one can predict how far his skills may take him in motocross, but right now he's sure looking good for a fifth trials title. The series concludes in one month with rounds in Colorado (Oct. 4) and Texas (Oct. 5).

Results

CHAMPIONSHIP: 1. Marland Whaley (Mon) 34; 2. Morgan Kavanaugh (Bul) 41; 3. Scott Head (Bul) 44; 4. Marv Heath (Bul) 55; 5. Bill Burgener (Bul) 57; 6. Jack Stites (SWM) 61; 7. Lane Leavitt (Bul) 65; 8. Wayne Galvin (Bul) 67; 9. Dave Barte (Bul) 76; 10. Brad Skreen (Mon) 82; 11. John Stanicar (Mon) 85; 12. Raymond Fournier (Bul) 85; 13. Rich Hilbun (SWM) 86.

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SUPER SENIOR: 1. Don Wilcox (Bul) 90.2; 2. Norm Sayler (Bul) 92; 3. Art Webster (Bul) 114; 4. Jay Kavanaugh (Bul) 127.

HIGH SCHOOL: 1. Steve McNeal (Mon) 47; 2. Allen Dykes (Mon) 72.

CHAMPIONSHIP POINT STANDINGS: 1. Marland Whaley (Mon) 39; 2. Brad Skreen (Mon) 32; 3. Scott Head (Bul) 30; 4. Morgan Kavanaugh (Bul) 29; 5. Lane Leavitt (Bul) 26; 6. Jack Stites (SWM) 22; 7. Bill Sparks (Mon) 16; 8. Curt Comer 15.8; 9. Mark Eggar (Mon) 14; 10. Marv Heath (Bul) 13.8.

World Championship Trials Series: Round 10

Schreiber supreme in Finland

By Mike Rapley

RERVAKOSKS, FINLAND, AUG. 24

Bernie Schreiber, the jolly green giant on his Italjet, showed again that the American/Italian combination is a potent weapon in the World Trials arena, when they won the tenth round of the 1980 series in Finland.

Bernie, who is now treating the title events as useful practice before a determined attack in 1981 to regain his crown, gave his bank manager something to look pleased about when he held off the expected challenges from the Scandinavians.

Mr. Consistency, the dour Ulf Karlson, secured his fifth runner-up place in this year's series. Mathematically Karlson can still be beaten by Schreiber and three - times champion Yrjo Vesterinen although Karlson only needs to score seven points from the final two events to ensure the title goes to Sweden. Only once so far this year has Karlson finished lower than fourth, so to all intents and purposes, he is the new champ.

Yrjo Vesterinen, looking for a super ride at his home event, had a disastrous first lap, losing more than the winner did for the trial. However, in true Vesty fashion, he put all the problems behind him and made a concentrated attack on the second lap to crawl back into sixth place and rescue his reputation.

Montesa's two newest signings, Manuel Soler and Charles Coutard, who was making his debut on the bike, shared the first lap lead with Schreiber at 15 marks lost after 25 testing sections.

Three marks adrift came Karlson, while Vesty, Rob Shepherd and Martin Lampkin were on 32, 35 and 36, respectively. Lampkin just couldn't come to grips with the dry rocks and fived the first section when his leathers became entangled with the footrests. After picking himself up from an undignified heap, Mart never really got back into the swing of things and finished a disappointing 14th.

Eddy Lejeune was another who started off well and looked set for a top placing. But of all things, he couldn't get to grips -- literally -- with three big hills, and that on the Honda, one of the best grip finding trials bikes in the world.

It was a great day for the Spanish and particularly Ossa who had two of their yellow grippers in the top ten. Alberto Juvanteny finished fourth, his best world round placing, and Toni Gorgot was a mark behind in fifth.

Italjet was another happy concern. With just two supported riders, Schreiber winning and Italian Ettore Baldini claiming eighth, they could justifiably claim that their new machine is a winner straight away. Only the world nickname of "Bultojet" spoils the reputation, but who cares when you're winning.

With only two rounds left to complete the series, it has proved the most interesting battle of them all. Karlson is almost the king, Schreiber has proved he can be king again, and Vesty that he is still the biggest threat to the rest.

Most were happy as they left for a week long break in Sweden before Karlson's home round, all that is except Coutard. Brilliant he had been on that first lap, but then went to pieces on his second to finish out of the points -- and that after leading! •

Results

Best Performance: 1. Bernie Schreiber (Itl) 31 marks; 2. Ulf Karlson (Mon) 34; 3. Manuel Soler (Mon) 36; 4. Alberto Juvanteny (Oss) 46; 5. Toni Gorgot (Oss) 47; 6. Yrjo Vesterinen (Mon) 52.6; 7. Eddy Lejeune (Hon) 53.4; 8. Ettore Baldini (Itl) 61.4; 9. Danilo Galleazzi (SWM) 62; 10. Timo Ryysy (Bul) 64.

World Championship Point Standings: 1. Karlson (104); 2. Schreiber (81); 3. Vesterinen (78); 4. Lejeune (70); 5. Lampkin (57); 6. Soler (45); 7. Rathmell (41); 8. Shepherd (35); 9. Gorgot (25); 10. Subira (17).

TEN YEARS AGO

The AMA Grand National Championship was decided at the 50-lap Sacramento Mile, and if you've ever watched the original *On Any Sunday*, you know that **Gene Romero** won the race and the crown. This was the race where **Dick Mann** cut off his cast and raced, and **Jim Rice** went through the guardrail at the end of his heat but came back to try and ride the National with a broken nose. **Tom Rockwood's** runner-up finish made it a 1-2 day for Triumph, while **Cal Rayborn** (H-D) finished third. **John Hateley** won the **Amateur** feature after **Rex Beauchamp** fell while leading and took **Chuck Joyner** with him.

Belgium won the Trophee des Nations held in Sweden. The U.S. squad of **Bob Grossi, Dick Robbins** and **Mark Blackwell** DNF the event, which was plagued by heavy rain.

It was announced that **Evel Knievel** had switched to Harley-Davidson.

The youngest member of the factory BSA team, **Ken Pressgrove,** was killed in a first lap crash at the AMA Race of All-Stars at the Louisville half mile facility. **Dave Sehl** was also injured.

Bultaco-mounted **Bob Nickelsen** won the SCTA's observed trial at Saddleback. **Bob Grove** edged **Richard Bledsoe** for second in the Masters class and **Vic Conaway** topped the Experts.

Steve Bast traveled to Sacramento for a speedway race, and won every Scratch and Handicap event he competed in, as well as a match race against **Rick Woods.** The night before, though, Steve lost the Handicap Main Event at Costa Mesa to his uncle **Harlan.**

In flat track action at South Bay Speedway, **Scott Autrey** beat **Gary Scott** in the 125cc event, but Scott came back in the steeplechase portion of the program and won the 250cc and Open races, aboard a Bultaco and a BSA, respectively.

Ivan Mauger won his third World Speedway Championship as the final was held in Wroclaw, Poland. Mauger carded a 15-point tally to defeat **Pawel Walozek** and **Antoni Woryna,** both of Poland.

Bob Sanders took three wins at Trojan Speedway, two trophy dashes and a main event in the 100cc ranks.

Jody Nicholas was the winner at Ascot's weekly half mile, beating a combined Amateur/Expert field. After **Kenny Roberts** broke, **Gary Scott** had no one to race against in the Novice final.

John Gennai ran away from the 250cc Expert class at a sportsman night TT at Vallejo Speedway.

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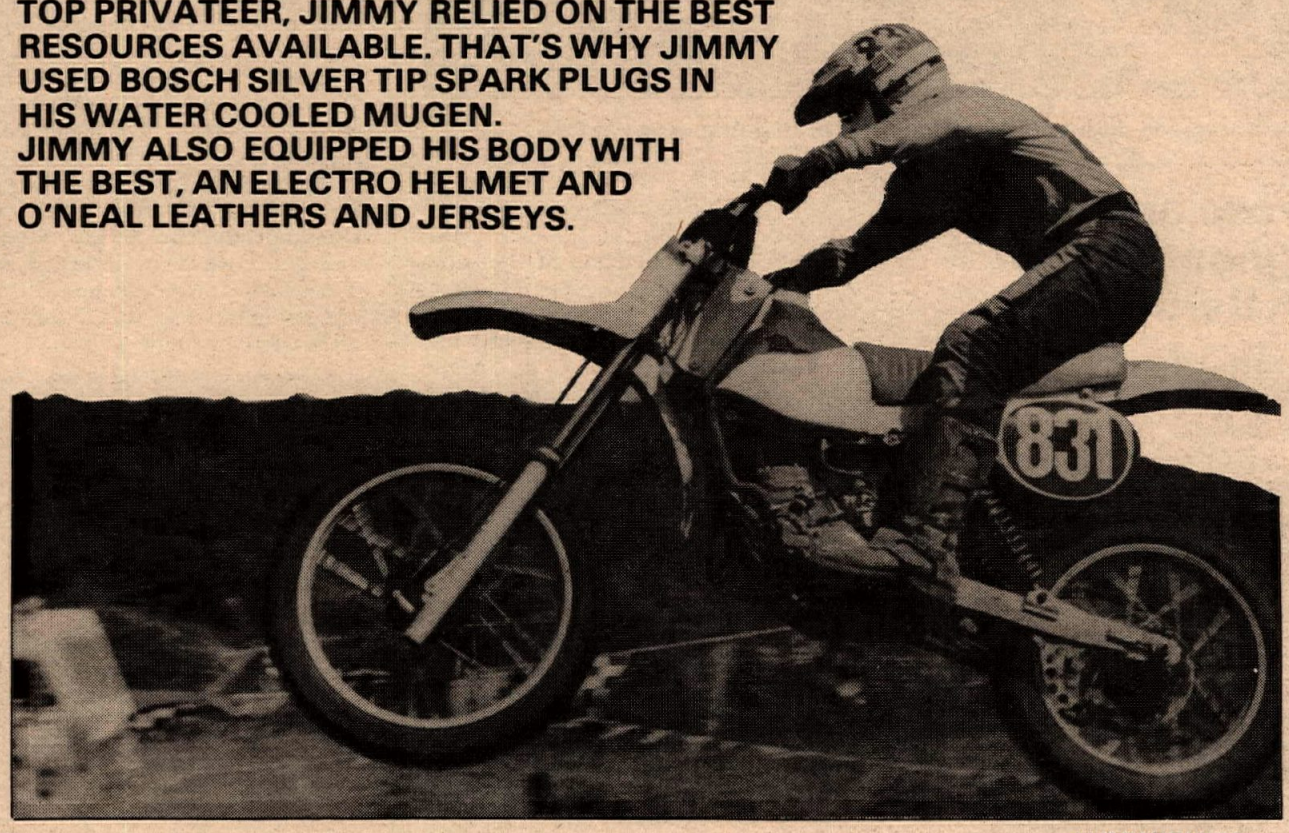

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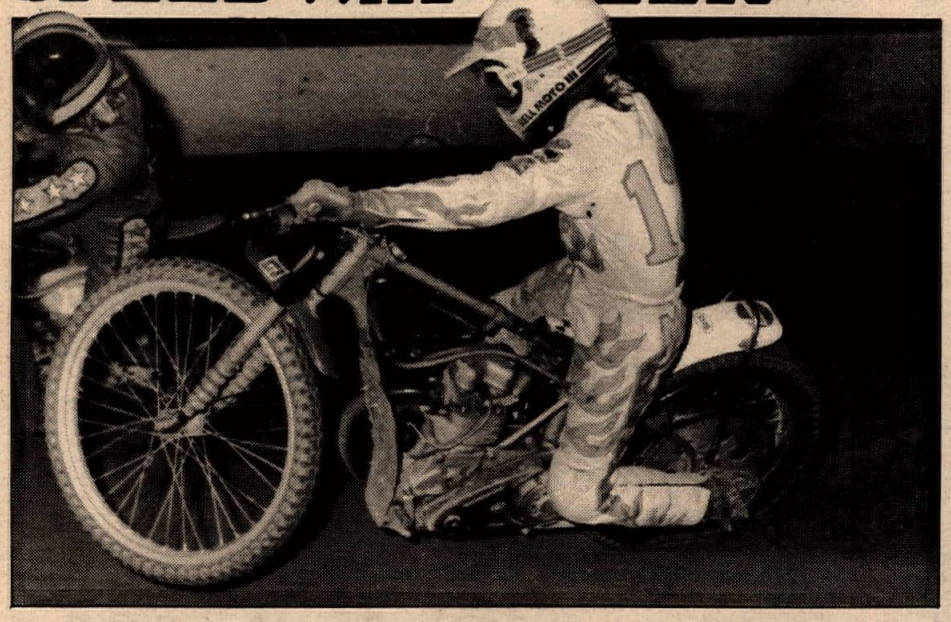

Stylish, but no, he didn't make it. Shawn Moran going down at IMS.

Curoso and Gagnon score at San Berdoo

By Scott Daloisio

SAN BERNARDINO, CA, SEPT. 3

Mike Curoso, riding the only Weslake in the field, scored his second Scratch Main victory of the season at John LaDouceur's Inland Motorcycle Speedway Wednesday night.

Alan Christian, who started in the number four position, and Gene Woods, who started on the pole, came together in turn two on the opening lap while battling for the lead. Christian immediately retired to the infield while Woods dropped out at the end of lap two with a flat rear tire.

John Sandona tried to pull even with Curoso the entire distance, but was unable to do so and had to settle for the bridesmaid position with Woods getting credit for third and Christian fourth.

Phil Gagnon continued with his impressive second half of the season by taking his first Handicap Main of the year at IMS. Gene Woods twice jumped the gun on the start and was penalized 20 yards, forcing him to start on the 70.

Dave Miller jumped into the lead at the start over Shane Hawley and Gagnon. Hawley got by Miller for the lead coming out of turn two on the opening lap with Gagnon taking second from Miller coming out of four.

The fireworks started on lap two as Miller dove to the inside in turn one going by Gagnon and doing a wheelie while next to Hawley in turn two. Miller and Hawley came together in the back chute and tumbled down the track in spectacular style. Jeff Tomlin and Denny Pyeatt also became involved.

Hawley was shaken, but was able to continue when brother Pat loaned him his bike. Miller was the only rider involved who was unable to continue on the restart.

Hawley again took the lead on the restart over Gagnon. Gagnon got by Hawley coming out of two on lap two for the lead with Pyeatt also getting by Hawley as they exited turn four on lap two for second. Pyeatt pulled right in behind Gagnon, but ran out of time before he could get the job done and was forced to settle for second. Hawley hung on to third while Tomlin edged Woods at the line for fourth with Miller getting credit for sixth.

Victor Robledo made it two Second Division mains in a row at IMS. Robledo moved out front at the start over Tom Conrad and Pat Hawley. "Long" John Silva slipped by Conrad in turn four on the opening lap for third. Silva then tried to go inside Hawley for second in turn three on the second lap taking Hawley and himself down and causing a red flag. Hawley was able to continue while Silva was sent to the pits for causing the crash.

On the restart Robledo again took the lead over Conrad and Hawley. Hawley assumed second coming out of turn two on the opening lap. Greg Ayers and Jim Lawson moved inside Conrad coming out of turn two on the second lap dropping Conrad from third to fifth. Lawson got by Ayers coming down the front chute on lap four. Robledo hung on with a comfortable victory over Hawley, Lawson, Ayers, Conrad and Silva.

"The Miracle Worker" Shawn Moran made a surprise visit to IMS. Moran transferred from his Handicap heat, but dumped it hard in the semi eliminating himself for the night. Moran was removed from the track on a stretcher, but was later seen walking around the pits.

It has been announced that Ron Preston, the winner of the under 21 World Title last year in Russia, will be on hand on the final night of racing at IMS for the California State Championship Saturday September 20.

Results

SCRATCH MAIN: 1. Mike Curoso; 2. John Sandona; 3. Gene Woods; 4. Alan Christian.

HANDICAP MAIN: 1. Phil Gagnon; 2. Denny Pyeatt; 3. Shane Hawley; 4. Jeff Tomlin; 5. Gene Woods; 6. Dave Miller.

SECOND DIV: 1. Victor Robledo; 2. Pat Hawley; 3. Jim Lawson; 4. Greg Ayers; 5. Tom Conrad; 6. John Silva.

THIRD DIV: 1. Rusty Jennings; 2. Kerry Miller; 3. Eddy Lynch; 4. Ron Blanton; 5. Ken Williams; 6. Chris Mistretta.

MATCH RACE: 1. Bobby Schwartz def. Dave Sims.

Schwartz takes Ventura Track Championship

By Bill R. Locey

VENTURA, CA, SEPT. 2

The envelope, please. Bobby "Boogaloo" Schwartz of Santa Barbara delighted the large partisan crowd as he won the 1980 Track Championship last night at the Ventura Raceway. It was a familiar ending for Schwartz who won the Scratch Main on his two prior visits here this season.

But nothing comes easy, especially in speedway, as "The Boogaloo Kid" had to win a runoff over track points leaders Alan Christian and Lance King to take the trophy.

Sixteen of the top First Division riders were on hand for the all-Scratch season finale with each taking five rides for a possible 15 points maximum. Schwartz, Christian and King took turns beating each other in close ones and everyone else in laughters, and wound up with identical totals of 14.

Seventeen-year-old King could have won the title outright. In his first race, Lance got the gate and by the time Christian could get around Keith Chrisco, it was too late. King maintained a four length lead until the checkered.

In his confrontation with Schwartz, King took the early lead by a length. On the first lap, Schwartz tried to pass on the outside, but King blocked him. On the second lap, Schwartz again tried the outside, but King slammed the door.

By the next lap, it was clearly a time for some fresh strategy as Schwartz faked outside, cut quickly to the inside and got a wheel underneath King in Turn Two. It was wheel to wheel down the straightaways, but Schwartz held on to win by a single length.

Schwartz, who starred for the Ventura Sharks in the team racing days a few years back, also could have won the title outright himself, if not for Alan Christian — a familiar lament these days. Schwartz led for the first lap, but Christian, as he so often does, hung on the inside line and finally muscled his way past, pushing Schwartz to the outside. The experienced Christian succeeded in blocking Schwartz's entire repertoire of nifty passing moves to win a close one.

The crowd was standing for the runoff which found King on the pole, Schwartz in the middle and Christian on the outside. The gate went up and Schwartz took the early lead. Christian was third until the second lap when he blew by King like he was standing still in Turn Two. Alan was going so fast he picked up three lengths and nearly caught Schwartz coming out of Turn Four.

Down the straightaway they flew and just as things got exciting, just as Christian got a wheel inside Schwartz, just as thoughts of their earlier encounter came to mind — Alan crashed. Sliding on his back, he seemed a sure bet to make it to Malibu or at least Oxnard, but fortunately came to rest uninjured about a foot from the wall.

The nailbiter became a yawner as Schwartz finished about 15 lengths ahead of King. Before the runoff, Schwartz had complained about being up for 28 hours straight, but after the way he rode, a case could be made for insomnia as an integral part of future training programs.

Everyone else was so-so at best as no one could manage more than one win. The 1979 U.S. Long Track Champion, Shawn Moran, made his seasonal debut, but last night "The Miracle Worker" was fresh out of tricks. He led for the first lap of his first race before a turn for the worse (the fourth one) put him into the crash wall injuring himself slightly and his motorcycle mightily. And if you think Ventura is foggy, apparently we've got nothing on England. Moran, who has been away since March, has faded from a blonde to a brunette.

In Second Division racing, John Foster and Dave Van Horn took easy wins to qualify for the Main. Last year's D-2 champ Bobby "Crash Wall" Hill picked a good time to win his first race of the year as he did it by plenty to win his heat. In the final heat, old timer Terry Bilton picked himself off the ground after a red flag and came back to earn the final spot in the Main. Suspense ended quickly in the Main as Foster had it won by the first turn.

After 20 weeks of speedway fever at the Ventura Raceway, the regular season is finally over. But like other sports, there's always one more. The final go'round will be held on September 30, opening night of the County Fair.

Results

1. B. Schwartz (14); 2. L. King (14); 3. A. Christian (14); 4. B. Oxley (10); 5. D. Pyeatt (9); 6. T. Morley (9); 7. M. Muntean (8); 8. D. DeTemple (8); 9. S. McConnell (7); 10. B. McLain (6); 11. J. Sandona (5); 12. K. Chrisco (5); 13. G. Ford (4); 14. J. Tomlin (4); 15. S. Moran (2); 16. E. Clark (1); 17. M. Kennedy (0).

SECOND DIVISION MAIN: 1. John Foster; 2. Dave Van Horn; 3. Terry Bilton; 4. Bobby Hill.

King and Pyeatt pulverize Ascot

By Gary Hoffman

GARDENA, CA, SEPT. 4

You remember Mike Bast? Seven-time National Champion, retired a few weeks ago? Well he came out of retirement just to ride Ascot. A little out of practice, but still looking good, the champ didn't make the main events, but it was good to see him race again.

And as long as we're dropping names, how about Bobby Schwartz and Shawn Moran? Hail, hail the gang's all here. What a program.

The big surprise was that out of all three, Schwartz was the only one to make a main event, and he came in third! One thing that no one failed to do, though, was put on about the best speedway show at Ascot this year.

After taking on all of Ascot's Pros and qualifying not only for the Handicap Main, but for the Scratch Main as well, Keith Chrisco blew his motor and was out for the rest of the night. So five riders started the Handicap Main with Dwight Hill breaking out first and taking an early lead. Dwight held on for a lap with Greg Ayers in second followed by Tom Morley and Lance King.

The rest of the race consisted of Denny Pyeatt and King using every bit of skill and speed passing the pack to move into first and second place followed by Hill. King threatened to take the lead several times, but Denny's folks were in the stands and he wanted to show them what he could do by taking the checkered and the coveted Handicap Main trophy. Coming in second was King followed by Hill and Ayers.

The Scratch Main brought Pyeatt to the pole position with Schwartz in the number two spot and King on the outside. The tapes flew up and Lance shot out first followed by Pyeatt and Schwartz. As far as I can remember, no one has passed Lance at Ascot once he was out in front and that's the way it was.

But let us not forget Second Division. In their main event, Ron Blanton took an early lead with Kerry Miller in second followed by Dan Braviroff. On lap two, Miller took over first place and Braviroff took second while Dave Van Horn started moving up. Lap three brought Robin Bourgeois on the move and at the finish it was hard riding 20-year-old Miller on a two-valve Jawa taking the win followed by Van Horn and Bourgeois.

For those of you who may be under the impression that there may not be

speedway next year at Ascot, you're wrong! Jeff Immediato, track promoter and director of advertising at Ascot, said, "There will be speedway next year at Ascot as long as there continues to be professional riders who want to race."

Results

FEATURE MATCH RACE: 1. Bobby Schwartz def. Shawn Moran.
SECOND DIV. MAIN: 1. Kerry Miller; 2. Dave Van Horn; 3. Robin Bourgeois.
HANDICAP MAIN EVENT: 1. Denny Pyeatt; 2. Lance King; 3. Dwight Hill.
SCRATCH MAIN EVENT: 1. Lance King; 2. Denny Pyeatt; 3. Bobby Schwartz.

Becker and Schwartz sweep Costa Mesa

By Ken Kellogg

COSTA MESA, CA, SEPT. 5

Both Bobby Schwartz and Shawn Moran made respectable showings on their return to American speedway at Costa Mesa. Both riders made a main event; Bobby won the Scratch Main and Shawn was fourth in the Handicap Main.

The Third Division riders are looking more like Second Division racers as the season winds down. In the Third Division Main, Ed Castro, riding from the 10-yard line, worked his way through traffic to take second behind zero-yard-liner Shane McDonald. Third was Ron Blanton.

Second Division Main winner Alan Martin will now be viewing the race from farther back rather than the zero-yard line. Martin beat out, and was really never challenged by, Chris Hedge and 10-yard line rider Wes Randolph who managed to work his way through traffic, but was unable to pass Hedges.

The Handicap Main began with a bang! Shawn Moran and Lance King collided and Moran took out a piece of the crash wall. King also went down hard, but was unable to make the restart. On the restart Danny "Berzerko" Becker from the 20-yard line was out front. Berzerko looked hot all night, showing strong glimpses of the Becker of days gone by.

Danny was really only challenged once by Dave Sims. Becker held him off, pulled away and delighted the fans with the win. When he crossed the line, he knew he still had quite a few fans. John Sandona was second followed by Sims, Shawn Moran and Alan Christian.

The grand Finale was, of course, the Scratch Main. Sims and Christian had made both mains and were now up against Dave DeTemple and Bobby Schwartz.

When the gate went up, Christian was totally surprised because in turn one, he was in third place. Alan was never able to recover from that; in fact, it was all he could do to hold off DeTemple.

Schwartz took the win unchallenged followed by Sims, Christian and DeTemple.

On September 12, Scott Autrey and Dennis Sigalos will return. Both will be riding to beat Christian, Autrey to practice for the Nationals on October 11 and Sigalos to prove he can do it twice. ●

Results

SCRATCH MAIN: 1. Bobby Schwartz; 2. Dave Sims; 3. Alan Christian; 4. Dave DeTemple.
HANDICAP MAIN: 1. Danny Becker; 2. John Sandona; 3. Dave Sims; 4. Shawn Moran; 5. Alan Christian.
SECOND DIV. MAIN: 1. Alan Martin; 2. Chris Hedge; 3. Wes Randolph.
THIRD DIV. MAIN: 1. Shane McDonald; 2. Ed Castro; 3. Ron Blanton.

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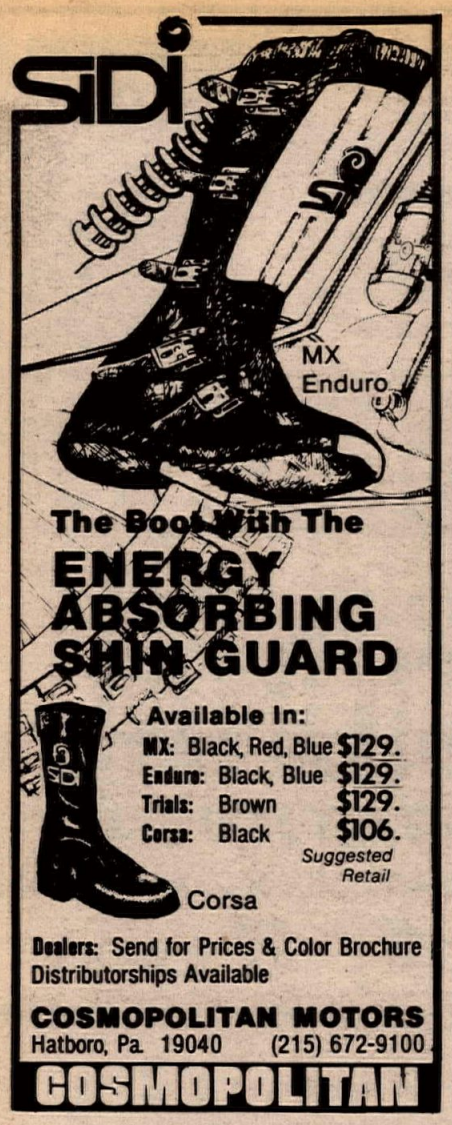

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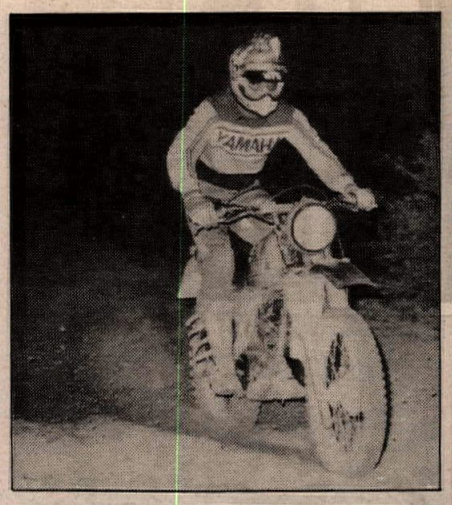

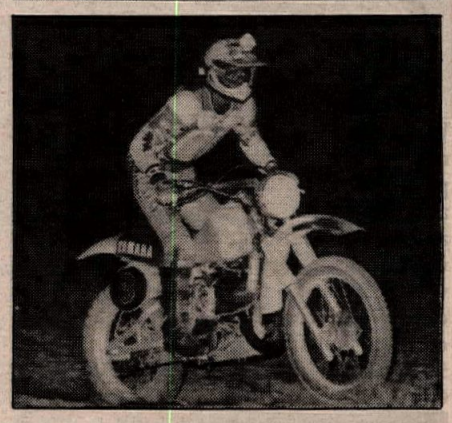

(Left) Todd Timmons rode with Mike Welch to the overall win. (Top right) Benny Brown and Danny Anderson were first 250cc. (Bottom right) Jack Johnson had problems.

Welch/Timmons top desert night riders series

By Chuck Harper
Photos by Wayne "Flashbulb" Gales

NELSON, NV, AUG. 17 & 24

With a narrow second race victory, Can-Am-mounted Mike Welch and Todd Timmons captured the overall honors in the two-event desert night riders series.

"Berzerko" Bennie Brown and Danny Anderson piloted their Nevada Yamaha/Bill McVee & Associates-backed IT250 to a thrilling come-from-behind overall victory in the first race and backed it up with a third overall, first 250cc in the second race to garner top 250cc laurels for the two-night event.

The serpentine 11-mile course was marked with fluorescent ribbon and danger marks with the racers scheduled to make six tours. One Expert was allowed per team and the two-race bash was to be scored jointly like an MX with the teams posting the best combined scores to be awarded the top honors.

The majority of contestants were coming in with horror stories of disappearing in black holes, overshooting turns in the dark desert night and unexpected excursions to the cavernous earth between the canyon walls from the hilltop trails, however, most seemed to be enjoying their nocturnal perils.

Race 1

By luck of the draw riders headed into the darkness one-by-one at 9:00 p.m. and when the first headlight appeared in the distance some 22 minutes later the majority of spectators, pit crews and riders were expecting Jack Johnson to emerge from the shadows, but it was Can-Am's Kevin Welch who materialized and quickly turned the bike over to partner Angelo Iannucci.

The next bike through was the dual Cibie-supplied Husky of famed Baja-tuner Randy Chambers who took over the controls from his last minute partner Glenn "Big Winnie" Wischmeyer.

The "Berzerko" Bennie Brown/Danny Anderson team were leading the 250cc class while running third overall and were being pursued by the Mike Welch/Todd Timmons entry who made the turn fourth overall, third Open bike.

Pre-race favorite Jack Johnson, who was teamed with Jon "Frog" Ogren, limped in fifth overall with a front puncture followed by the Can-Am team of Ron Reed/Troy Fitch who were holding down sixth overall, second 250cc.

At the halfway point Welch/Iannucci were enjoying a comfortable five minute margin over Brown/Anderson who had moved by Wischmeyer/Chambers for second overall.

Mike Welch/Todd Timmons remained fourth overall as Johnson/Ogren called it a night when their light went dead after advancing through the pack following their tire change.

On the bell lap Brown pulled in directly behind Welch and the two went at it tong and hammer as they blasted off for the checkered flag.

Brown went by Welch shortly afterward when Kevin was crashing into a rock wall that bordered a tight turn and kept the lead to the finish. Welch was additionally slowed by a broken chain and eventually ended up fourth overall, third Open.

Chambers/Wischmeyer soldiered in second overall, first Open while Mike Welch/Todd Timmons copped third oveall, second Open and Ron Reed/Troy Fitch posted fifth overall, second 250cc. In their first race ever the team of Rob Griebel/Val Maiden (Yam) topped the 175cc class and the first thumper duo to finish was the Larry McCall/Courtney Whipple Suzuki.

Race 2

The decisive round of the series saw Mike Welch/Todd Timmons post a wire-to-wire win, but things weren't quite that simple.

On the third lap with a precarious lead over the Jack Johnson/Jon Ogren, Kevin Welch/Angelo Iannucci and Bennie Brown/Danny Anderson teams, the Mike Welch/Timmons endeavor lost the seat on their big-bore Can-Am and were suffering through the punishment dealt out by the frame members over the bumpy terrain.

Down the homestretch Johnson closed the gap on the seatless Welch, however, time ran out for Jack and Welch crossed the finish line a scant 15 seconds ahead of Southern Nevada's greatest desert racer to claim the overall title.

First race hopefuls Griebel and Maiden saw their chances for victory in the 175cc class go down the tubes with a front flat on the first lap of the second race which turned the overall to the team of Yamaha-mounted Jeff Krantz/Gavin Prater.

Monte "Peaches" Gerber and Art Lanier (Hon) aced the thumper class in the second race but it was Steve Davis and Gary Zupanic who took the overall title home to Boulder City by virtue of their better combined score. ●

Results

EVENT 1

OPEN: 1. Randy Chambers/Glenn Wischmeyer (Hus); 2. Mike Welch/Todd Timmons (C-A); 3. Kevin Welch/Angelo Iannucci (C-A).

250cc: 1. Benny Brown/Danny Andcerson (Yam); 2. Ron Reed/Troy Fitch (C-A); 3. Roger Hamel/Mike Patchen (Yam).

175cc: 1. Rob Griebel/Val Maiden (Yam); 2. Gavin Pratzer/Jeff Krantz (Yam); 3. Janine Ogren/Crockett Wirthlin (Yam).

THUMPER: 1. Larry McCall/Courtney Whipple (Suz); 2. Steve Davis/Gary Zupanic (Yam).

EVENT 2

OPEN: 1. Mike Welch/Todd Timmons (C-A); 2. Jack Johnson/Jon Ogren (Yam); 3. Kevin Welch/Angelo Iannucci (C-A).

250cc: 1. Bennie Brown/Danny Anderson (Yam); 2. Ron Reed/Brad Hilton (C-A); 3. Lisa Gallo/Keith Delzer (Hus).

175cc: 1. Jeff Krantz/Gavin Prater (Yam); 2. Janine Ogren/Crockett Wirthlin (Yam); 3. Rob Griebel/Val Maiden (Yam).

THUMPER: 1. Monte Gerger/Art Lanier (Hon); 2. Gary Zupanic/Steve Davis (Yam); 3. Larry McCall/Courtney Whipple (Suz).

OVERALL

OPEN: 1. Mike Welch/Todd Timmons (C-A); 2. Randy Chambers/Glenn Wischmeyer (Hus); 3. Kevin Welch/Angelo Iannucci (C-A).

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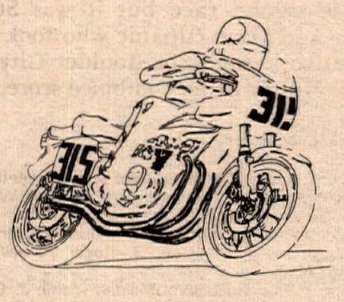

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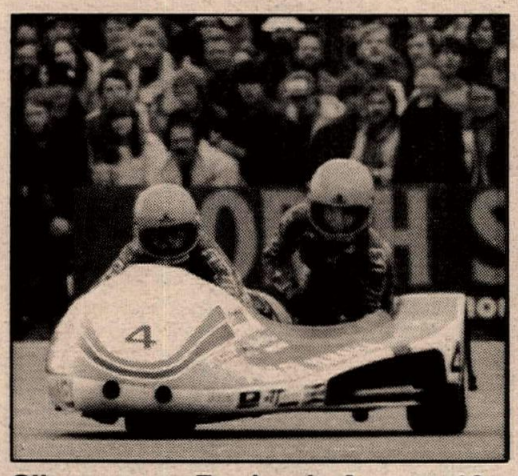

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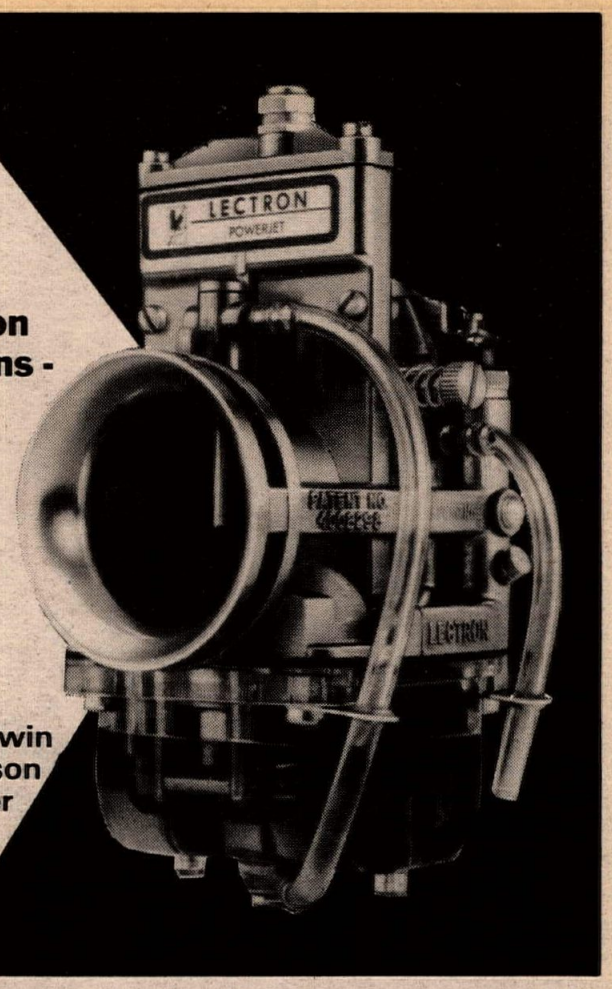

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Tim Locey returned from an injury-induced layoff to garner a second and a third at AME's Labor Day GP.

Simons, Snorteland smoke AME/ Budweiser Labor Day GP

By Judy Greenberg
Photo by Bob Greenberg

VALENCIA, CA, AUG. 31

A grand prix course using the International track, sand, hills and river of Indian Dunes welcomed over 600 riders for the American Motocross Enterprises Labor Day Grand Prix sponsored by Budweiser. A $1,000 purse went to the Pros, with a host of contingency sponsors awarding prizes by drawings held throughout the day.

Dead engine starts were used with surprisingly very few failures off the line. Willy Simons, Mike Shoemaker and Pete Snorteland took home top money for the 125, 250 and 500cc Pro wins.

As the sports news on Channels 5 and 11 announced the AME events of the day, the 125cc Pros blasted off the line with Jim Simons' Simi Cycle Honda in the early lead. International Yamaha support rider Steve Schmitz took over the next lap and appeared to be off with strong control when he suffered a partial seizure, putting him on the sideline. Simons then retired with problems and the Simi Cycle Yamahas of John Langhammer and Willy Simons ran hot in the first two spots with Simons making a successful pass on Langhammer as they proceeded to run from the pack. Mark Moscrop (Luft Racing) and another Simi Cycle rider, John Drury, were in tight contention for third. As Drury made his pass, Larry Baker moved into the fifth spot. Schmitz was back on the track making up ground and positions, finally settling into third. Moscrop dropped back and Baker ran out of gas on the last lap with the top five finishes going to Simons, Langhammer, Schmitz, Drury and Bryan Jordan.

Mike Shoemaker (Int. M/C) jumped right out in front of the 250cc Pros and immediately built his lead to claim his share of the purse. Tim Locey (Yam. Mtr. Corp), back from an injury lay-off, diced with Pete Snorteland (Premier Yamaha) for second, as Kal-Gard/Yamaha-mounted Bob Kline moved through traffic while gaining ground on the Locey/Snorteland battle. Bill Hagen, Richard Bunch and Jim Coffey were next in line for the fifth spot. Snorteland found his way around Locey with Kline following suit a couple of laps later. In the final lap somewhere in the back of the course, Snorteland ran out of gas. Kline took the checkered in second with third going to Locey followed by Hagen and Jim Coffey.

Snorteland took charge of the 500cc Pros on his DG/Premier Yamaha edging out from the start. Locey rode an unchallenged, consistent second down to the wire, as Steve Hutchens appeared safe in third. Hagen was his early competition but succumbed to a flat tire as Shoemaker was picking off riders, making it past Hutchens into third by the halfway point. Fred Price took advantage of the last laps to put Hutchens behind him and finish fourth.

The 500cc Intermediates were won by 7-Jay's Brand Johnson. His only competition came from the USA Husky of Dan Smith who stayed with Johnson for most of the 50 minutes.

Kirk Sturgeon, usually seen in the top five of the 500cc Pros, switched to the Odyssey Class I taking home a three foot first place trophy. Danny Griffith led for most of the race with Andy Jannings in second. Sturgeon made his pass on Jannings and used the last lap to put Griffith behind him.

Team races finished the day. Using the same bike the riders switched each lap for 30 minutes. The team of Bill Hagen and Pete Snorteland took the lead in the 500cc class and never looked back. Jim Coffey and Tim Locey made their switches without letting another 250cc get by, as did Todd Broussard and Eddie Green in the 125cc class.

Results

125 PRO: 1. Willy Simons (Yam); 2. John Langhammer (Yam); 3. Steve Schmitz (Yam).
125 INT: 1. John Rogers (Yam); 2. Neil MacDonnell; 3. Eddie Green (Yam).
125 JR: 1. Don Spratt (Hon); 2. Kenny Pitken (Suz); 3. Mike Wolfe (C-A).
125 BEG: 1. Brian Stevens (Yam); 2. Chuck Berling (Suz); 3. Guy Gowdy (Yam).
250 PRO: 1. Mike Shoemaker (Yam); 2. Bob Kline (Yam); 3. Tim Locey (Yam).
250 INT: 1. Mark Durand (Yam); 2. Todd Bausch (Suz); 3. Andy Richard (Yam).
250 JR: 1. Randy Tittlemier (Suz); 2. Todd MacDonald (Yam); 3. Roger Lopez (Yam).
250 BEG: 1. Mark Lite (Yam); 2. Eddie Graef (Yam); 3. Danny Bauch (Yam).
500 PRO: 1. Pete Snorteland (Yam); 2. Tim Locey (Yam); 3. Mike Shoemaker (Yam).
500 INT: 1. Brand Johnson (Suz); 2. Dan Smith (Hus); 3. Tom Price (Hus).
500 JR: 1. Dave Chase (Hus); 2. Buddy Bosh (Yam); 3. Ronnie Lewis (Yam).
VET EX: 1. Al Stinebaugh (Suz); 2. Rick Shirey (Yam); 3. Leon Price (Yam).
VET JR: 1. Herb Townsend (Yam); 2. George Cook (Hus); 3. Robert Dahlgren (KTM).
ODYSSEY CLASS I: 1. Kirk Sturgeon; 2. Danny Griffith; 3. Andy Jannings.
ODYSSEY CLASS II: 1. William Eveland.
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TEAM RACE — JR CYCLE: 1. Mouse McCoy/Shane Trittler (Yam); 2. Kyle Lewis/Lance Johnson (Suz).
TEAM RACE — 83cc: 1. Robert Laughlin/Larry Brooks (Yam); 2. Rich Houghtling/Jim Collier (Kaw); 3. Sean Riley/Scott Sutton (Suz).
TEAM RACE — 100cc: 1. Pat Dolan/Perry Cendro (Suz); 2. Jim Spotts/Rich James (Suz); 3. Gilbert Rivera/Phil Butler (Suz).
TEAM RACE — 125cc: 1. Todd Broussard/Eddie Green (Yam); 2. Mark Davis/Jerry Cochran (Suz); 3. Jim Theys/Roy Farr (Suz).
TEAM RACE — 250cc: 1. Jim Coffey/Tim Locey (Yam); 2. Craig Lauterman/Derek Bork (Yam); 3. Rod Richardson/Rex Richardson (Suz).
TEAM RACE — 500cc: 1. Bill Hagen/Pete Snorteland (Yam); 2. Dave Chase/Steve Zollinger (Hus); 3. Brad Rasmussen/Mark Parrott (Yam).

Lewis, Meszaros grab AME Labor Day Mini GP

By Judy Greenberg
Photo by Bob Greenberg

VALENCIA, CA, AUG. 31

Mini riders of all sizes converged at Indian Dunes for the American Motocross Enterprises Labor Day Mini Grand Prix. U.S. Suzuki was present as the participant award donor and displayed their new RM60, 80 and 100cc machines which awaited the drawing winners of those classes. Suzuki school scholarships, jerseys and other fine products were awarded during the day as the events progressed.

As Ronnie Densford led the Stock Pee Wees, Jim Chamberlin and Greg Wine were tight for second when they stalled simultaneously in front of the tower. Chamberlin got going right away and sewed up second as a disappointed Wine sat out a couple of laps waiting for his engine to cool. Once back on the track, Wine rode with his chin out in determination and picked up third.

The Modified Pee Wees were controlled from the start by Joseph Lane. Steven Kotajarvi was safe in second until the last laps when Dustin Evans closed in, taking the flag on Kotajarvi's tail.

Kal-Gard, a strong AME supporter, watched their Junior Cycle Expert, Kyle Lewis take down the win for that class. U.S. Yamaha's Mouse McCoy was the only rider to challenge Lewis by taking over for a lap and then ran into trouble and dropped out. McCoy's Yamaha teammate, Eddie Hicks, made a pass on Shane Trittler to hold second to the wire.

McCoy came back to win the 83cc Stock Intermediates and sailed through 50 minutes of water, track and sand without a flaw. Joseph Lozano battled with the Suzuki of Richie James who retired later on in the race. A hard-charging William Surratt came from the back and didn't stop until he was in second, despite being hampered by a rear flat. Eddie Hicks stayed right on him until Scott Marrison snuck up and jumped in-between. Coming out of the sand for the checkered, Surratt was nowhere to be seen, placing Marrison with second, Hicks third and Butler fourth.

Tony Alessi snatched the lead from Scott Sutton in the 83cc Modified Juniors. Sutton soon had problems and dropped out, placing Shane Trittler in second and the Cal-West Suzuki of Sean Riley in front of Gilbert Rivera for third.

Lance Johnson's 7-Jays Suzuki led the first two laps of the 83cc Modified Intermediates until Alan Lippie took over. Despite a pit stop for repairs, Johnson maintained his second to the wire. Lee Duncan moved up to finish third.

Kal-Gard rider Zoli Meszaros picked up a wide margin to win the 100cc Intermediates. Gene Stephens' Suzuki pulled a strong second as Mark Davenport and the Merit Group Suzuki of Rick Houghtaling swapped third. Davenport finished on top of that one with Suzuki-mounted Cal-West rider Pat Dolan taking fourth.

Houghtaling won the drawing for the RM100, with Joe Brown taking home the RM60 and Cam Johnson the RM80.

Results

PEE WEE MOD: 1. Joseph Lane (Itj); 2. Steven Kotajarvi (Itj); 3. Dustin Evans (Itj).
PEE WEE STK: 1. Ronnie Densford (Itj); 2. Jim Chamberlin (Itj); 3. Greg Wine (Itj).
JR CYCLE EX: 1. Kyle Lewis (Yam); 2. Eddie Hicks (Yam); 3. Shane Trittler (Yam).
JR CYCLE INT: 1. Chris Lara (Suz); 2. John Mathews (Suz).
JR CYCLE JR: 1. Kayle Johnson (Suz); 2. Jeff Reynolds (Suz); 3. Troy Welty (Suz).
83cc STK EX: 1. Robert Laughlin (Yam).
83cc STK INT: 1. Mouse McCoy (Yam); 2. Scott Marrison (Yam); 3. Eddie Hicks (Yam).
83cc STK JR: 1. Stagg Summers (Yam); 2. Chris Lara (Suz); 3. Scott Sutton (Suz).
83cc STK BEG: 1. Tony Fleming (Yam); 2. David Hoiness (Yam); 3. Eddie Tanner (Suz).
83cc MOD EX: 1. Robert Laughlin (Yam).
83cc MOD INT: 1. Alan Lippie (Yam); 2. Lance Johnson (Suz); 3. Lee Duncan (Yam).
83cc MOD JR: 1. Tony Alessi (Yam); 2. Shane Trittler (Yam); 3. Sean Riley (Suz).
100 EX: 1. Jack Greenberg (Suz).
100 INT: 1. Zoli Meszaros (Yam); 2. Gene Stephens (Suz); 3. Mark Davenport (Yam).
100 JR: 1. George Niehaus (Suz); 2. Del Criswell (Suz); 3. Joe Sutter (Yam).

Mike Tripes tops SSM MX

By Terry Whytal

ORANGE, CA, AUG. 30

The best turn-out of 125cc Pros to ride at a Saturday Saddleback Motocross event in several months kept the spectators well entertained with close action. Dueling on the Kenny Herkimer-prepped track were such standouts as Danny "Magoo" Chandler riding a Mugen and Suzuki minicycle star George Holland. Topping them all, however, was Yamaha rider Mike Tripes, well recovered from his broken wrist suffered in a Saddleback fall early in the summer.

Rick Jackson blasted his Yamaha into the early lead of moto one with

Honda's Donnie Hansen was the fastest 250cc Pro at SSM.

Holland in tow. Honda rider Craig Dale completed the first lap in third place with Mike Tripes running fourth and Yamaha-mounted Dan Walker fifth. Chandler was off to a slow start as the former Maico star used the first few laps to acquaint himself to the track after arriving late from his northern California home and missing practice.

Soon Chandler was on the move, reeling in and passing Walker, Dale and Jackson while Tripes and Holland battled for the lead. Tripes finally put away the challenge from the younger Holland and pulled out a slight lead. Chandler passed Holland on the tricky downhill off-camber left turn and moved in on Tripes' rear wheel.

With two laps remaining Chandler tried to pass on the dropaway jumps near the finish line only to lose valuable time as he overshot the next corner and Tripes regained the lead. At the checkers it was Tripes, Chandler and Holland.

Holland went for the holeshot in race two and narrowly headed Jackson for the lead as the pack carved their way through the first turn. Tripes was running third followed by Dale and Chandler at the completion of laps one and two. Jackson dropped out on lap three with mechanical problems as Holland continued to lead.

Holland began to drop off the pace near the midway point and Dale roosted past Tripes and Holland to take over the front spot. Tripes took the lead away as the race neared the end and Dale went out with problems. Chandler moved up to contest Tripes' lead but time ran out and he had to settle for the runner-up position and second place money. Holland finished third overall.

Results

OPEN PRO: 1. Bill Hagen (Yam); 2. David Gerig (Hus); 3. Bob Schulz (Yam).
250cc PRO: 1. Donnie Hansen (Hon); 2. Greg Zitterkopf (Mai); 3. Jim Tarantino (Hon).
125cc PRO: 1. Mike Tripes (Yam); 2. Danny Chandler (Mug); 3. George Holland (Suz).
OPEN INT: 1. Greg Painter (Mai); 2. Larry Flint (Yam); 3. Craig Robertson (Suz).
250cc INT: 1. Tom Makowski (Yam); 2. Todd Bausch (Suz); 3. Bruce Deacon (Yam).
125cc INT: 1. Dennis Hulen (Yam); 2. Harley Hall (Yam); 3. Vince McMahon (Yam).
VETS: 1. Tom White (Suz); 2. Marvin Olson (Hon); 3. Jody Weisel (Mai).
OPEN NOV: 1. Joe West, Jr.; 2. Mike English (Yam); 3. Marc Crider (Mai).
250cc NOV: 1. Kenny Meeks (Suz); 2. Mark Anderson (Yam); 3. Bill Olson (Mai).
125cc NOV: 1. Chris Setich (Yam); 2. Mathew Alloy (Yam); 3. Jose Hernandez (Hon).
OPEN BEG: 1. Jim Hobson (Mai); 2. Frank Aglio (Mai); 3. Ken Kopecky (Mai).
250cc BEG: 1. Allen Lane (Suz); 2. Steve Russell (Suz); 3. Brian Goodwin (Hon).
125cc BEG: 1. Jon Thomas (Hon); 2. Ed Merati (Yam); 3. Mark Kreppen (Suz).
MINI EX: 1. Bruce Bunch (Kaw); 2. Bobby Moore (Yam); 3. Kurt Hendricksen (Yam).
MINI NOV: 1. Michael Luber (Yam); 2. Eric Gonzalez (Suz);.
MINI BEG: 1. Eric Bellwood (Yam); 2. Jeff Stoffel (Kaw).

Rick Johnson sweeps Speedway 117 MX

By Rod Eschenberg

CHULA VISTA, CA, AUG. 27

Yamaha rider Rick Johnson became the second rider in the history of Speedway 117's CMC motocross to score a complete sweep of the three Pro classes in a single night with a perfect six for six moto ride. Actually Johnson's win binge was a first, as when Mike Tripes turned the trick last year, he did not win all six motos.

Adding to his complete domination of the Coke Pros, was Rick's new record in the KPRI Competition hill jump-off with an incredible 72 feet, 6 inch effort! Johnson's mastery of the three-size motorcycles was even more impressive as two machines were two-strokes and the Open machine was the big 500cc Yamaha thumper that he had used to set the record earlier in the year. This time, however, he blasted the record on the 250cc size machine.

The Intermediate classes featured wins by the point leaders in the 500s and the 125s as Ric Mahlmeister took an easy win in the big bore class over perennial challenger Craig Infeld, and Tom Hanley (Yamaha of Pacific Beach) squeaked out a tight win in the 125s after Alba Honda rider Jon Faure went out in the second moto after winning the first round. The 250s and the Minis saw hard riding wins posted by Rick Kenyon and John Conney, respectively. Kenyon bested a fast improving Todd Lesser and Conney upset point leader Frankie Brundage for the second straight week.

The outstanding Junior wins came in the 125s and the Minis as Randy Rush ran away with the 125s, leaving Scott Bowman and Rudolfo Sevilla to battle for the runner-up spot with the finish as written, and Mike Gilmartin did likewise in the Minis. Rush had to come from behind in both motos for his win but Gilmartin was never pressured as the first year rider actually led both motos over the combined-start Intermediates for most of the way. Lots of Juniors in all divisions as these guys are in the stretch drive for all the 1980 Coke, IRC, DG, Bel-Ray, Factory Rider and *Cycle News* goodies coming up after the Sept. 17 race!

The ATCs were out in goodly numbers also, with Bob Gilliam grabbing a tie-breaker over Tracey Dickson in the 113-132cc Modifieds. The Open Honda class featured the usual barnburner between the Lyon Electronics' Mark "Waxey" Weixeldorfer, Smitty's ATC zoomer "Dyno Dean" Sundahl and "Trick Trike" tiger Perry Thompson with the finish order as above; Waxey went two for two and Sundahl had a come from behind tie-breaker second. Hey, the big Pacific Southwestern ATC Championships will be coming up in October at Speedway 117, so get ready!

Results

500 PRO: 1. Rick Johnson (Yam); 2. Randy Norman (Yam); 3. Lars Larson (Hus).
250 PRO: 1. Rick Johnson (Yam); 2. Woody Carlson (Kaw); 3. Kirk Grissom (Hon).
125 PRO: 1. Rick Johnson (Yam); 2. Chad Blough (Yam); 3. Tony Jones (Suz).
500 INT: 1. Ric Mahlmeister (Yam); 2. Craig Infeld (Mai); 3. Jessie Santiago (Yam).
250 INT: 1. Rick Kenyon (Yam); 2. Todd Lesser (Suz); 3. Mark Seymour (Hon).
125 INT: 1. Tom Hanley (Yam); 2. Chris Lamb (Yam); 3. Keith Holbrook (Hon).
500 JR: 1. Pete Boyd (Mai); 2. Jack McCormick (Yam); 3. Alan Seaman (Yam).
250 JR: 1. Chuck Kecskes (Hon); 2. Frank Thomason (Hus); 3. Ed Stovin (Suz).
125 JR: 1. Randy Rush (Hon); 2. Scott Bowman (Suz); 3. Rudolfo Sevilla (Kaw).
MINI INT: 1. John Conney (Yam); 2. Frankie Brundage (Suz); 3. Ronnie Seymour (Suz).
MINI JR: 1. Mike Gilmartin (Suz); 2. Kevin Nolan (Kaw); 3. Lance Barnett (Yam).
PEE WEE: 1. Jamie Conney (Suz); 2. Lars Larson (Suz).
ATC CLASSES
110 STOCK: 1. Dale Faustino; 2. Dave Cox; 3. Steve Loftis.
91-112cc MODIFIED: 1. Tim Hoy; 2. Bob Snaith; 3. Larry Hageman, Jr.
113-132cc MODIFIED: 1. Bob Gilliam; 2. Tracey Dickson; 3. Todd Tierney.
OPEN HONDA: 1. Mark Weixeldorfer; 2. Dean Sundahl; 3. Perry Thompson.
OPEN MC ENGINES: 1. Mario Cioe (Yam); 2. Don Graham (Yam); 3. Wayne Loftis (Yam).

Draskovich, Watson top CRC San Diego qualifier

By Nanette Marie

CARLSBAD, CA, AUG. 31

The third round of qualifiers for the San Diego Stadium Amateur Supercross Championships moved down to Carlsbad Raceway where the California Racing Club put on the fifth-Sunday motocross, with riders competing not only for trophies or Pro payback, but a shot to ride in San Diego Stadium the night after the big AMA Supercross Series finale.

In the Professional ranks, Don Draskovich was the top rider of the afternoon, running away with both motos and the Open Pro overall, while Dan Watson fought off Todd Clark for the 250cc win, and Tibbs McCullough racked up a victory in the 125cc category.

The big Pro purse of the weekend was over at Saddleback, but nearly 20 Pros still showed up to race, and all three of the divisions were run in the same moto, the 250s and Opens going on the first gate, and all of the 125s starting from the second gate. Round one saw Kawasaki-mounted Dave Hamada grab the lead in the 250s, with Watson, Greg Youngblood, Todd Clark, Scott Curtis and Jerry Black battling for position in the 250cc ranks, while Draskovich and Jim Burt set up their Open tangle, with Burt holding the early advantage. In the 250cc action Hamada's lead was short-lived after he crashed himself back into fourth during the first half of the race, which gave Watson the lead in the class over Youngblood and Clark. Draskovich was on the move with his Yamaha 465, and picked his way effortlessly through the 250cc pack and bolted out into the lead before the halfway point in the moto. From there he pulled away to a very good lead, and rolled across the finish with the first moto victory, as Burt DNF his ride. Watson stayed on top of the 250cc division for the remainder of the race but Hamada made a late charge from fourth to overtake both Clark and Youngblood to gain the runner-up slot at the finish line. Youngblood was the next to take the checkers, followed by Clark, and Curtis, while Jerry Black suffered bike problems and had to pull off.

Second round action of the bigger bikes in the Pro ranks was all Draskovich, as he grabbed the holeshot, and spent the entire 12 laps pulling away. Todd Clark took advantage of every opportunity he could early in the race and moved up into first 250cc, slipping past Watson in the process. Watson began to charge back from his mid-pack start in the race, and moved all the way up to second, but at that point he had the overall in the bag, and all he had to do was finish in that position. He took no chances and stayed right where he was at. Hamada, in the meantime, got off in dead last through the first turn, and had to get by Youngblood, Black, and Curtis to pull into third. At the finish, the order was Draskovich way out front for the Open win, Clark in front of all the 250s, Watson second, and Hamada, Black and Youngblood rounding out the top five. Overall in the 250cc category, Watson went home with the biggest chunk of the payback, with Clark second, and Hamada third.

One-two-five action was furious all day long, as the first moto saw the lead change hands between four different riders, before finally being controlled by Tibbs McCullough. In moto one, McCullough grabbed the holeshot with Roy Gomez, Robbie Nolin and Paul Cano behind. McCullough held onto the first spot for the first three laps before going down and dropping to third, then it was Nolin who took over. Nolin seized after leading for the next two laps, which gave Gomez the front-running position. Gomez lost it on the double jumps after the horseshoe, and ended up in the trees off to the side of the track, then McCullough was back on top again. Cano dropped out early with bike problems, and Gomez remounted back in second, and when the checkers came out, it was McCullough, Gomez and Donnie Best the only three 125cc Pros to survive the moto.

Round two saw Mike Beier grab the early lead, with McCullough, Gomez and Best battling for position behind. McCullough took over on the second time around, and from there he went untouched all the way to the checkers. Beier ran second the rest of the way as Best took third after Gomez suffered a flat rear tire and had to push it across. In the overall standings it was McCullough, Best and Gomez taking the first three slots, with Beier grabbing fourth.

Results

MINI NOV: 1. Don Feeley (Yam); 2. Richard Fleming (Yam); 3. Jeff Barbacovi (Yam).
MINI INT: 1. Frank Brundage (Suz)? 2. John Conney (Yam); 3. Mike Knapp (Yam).
MINI EX: 1. Snell Johnson (Suz); 2. Taylor Marcell (Kaw).

Western hotline

OPEN PRO: 1. Donald Draskovich (Yam).
250 PRO: 1. Dan Watson (Yam); 2. Todd Clark (Yam); 3. Dave Hamada (Kaw).
125 PRO: 1. Tibbs McCullough (Yam); 2. Donnie Best (Yam); 3. Roy Gomez (Yam).
125 INT: 1. Jon Faule (Hon); 2. Mike Nishita (Hon); 3. Ian Fitz-Gibbon (Yam).
125 NOV: 1. Robert Maas (Hon); 2. Kenny Trasle (Kaw); 3. Donny Myron (Suz).
125 BEG: 1. K.C. Maddox (Yam); 2. Mark Gibson (Yam); 3. Gunnar Hassenplug (Suz).
100 INT: 1. Jerry Anker (Yam).
100 NOV: 1. Si Vokov.
OPEN BEG: 1. Matt Parsons (Yam); 2. Leonard Wallends (Kaw); 3. Dan Looary (Mai).
250 BEG: 1. Jim M. Morgan (Hus); 2. Ralph Peralta (Kaw); 3. Steve Manley (Hon).
CRC VETS JR: 1. Robert Highsmity (Hon); 2. Roger Plaskey (Yam); 3. Tim Cash (KTM).
CRC VETS INT: 1. Jack McCormick (YL); 2. R.D. Tuzinsky (Yam); 3. Charles D. Smith (Yam).
CRC VETS SR: 1. B. Crosta (KTM). 2. Gary Willison (Mai); 3. Dan Sanchez (C-A).
OPEN NOV: 1. William Ferrand (Mai); 2. Rocky Hash (Mai); 3. Steve Arehart (Suz).
250 NOV: 1. Paul Bassett (Yam); 2. Scott Thompson (Mai); 3. Steve Bolger (Yam).
250cc INT: 1. Steve Zovmaras (Yam); 2. Glen Wells (Hon); 3. Tim Devlin (Suz).
OPEN INT: 1. Wayne Beebe (Mai); 2. John Lundren (Yam); 3. Kelly Saulie (Yam).

Simons, White cop CRC night MX wins

By Nanette Marie

VALENCIA, CA, AUG. 22

Some 200 riders were on hand Friday night for another round of the California Racing Club's Tri-Valley/Suzuki Dealer's Summer Night Motocross Series, up on the International track of Indian Dunes Motorcycle Park. Everything from Minis and 60cc to Open Pros and Veterans were there, competing for the 100% Pro payback, 30% Sportsman trophies, and gift certificates to the Suzuki dealers sponsoring the series.

In the Pro ranks, three riders went home with top monies; in the 125 Pros it was Simi Honda's Jimmy Simons who swept both motos, while in a combined 250cc/Open Pro clash, Mark White and Bobby Kline split moto victories.

In the one-two-fives, Simons had pretty easy pickings with his double moto overall victory, but in second both times ran Allen Hopper. His two runner-up finishes bested the pair of thirds scored by Ricky Arnold, while a battle for fourth overall between Jon Ortner and Johnny Whelchel went to Ortner.

The only two Open Pros competing, Mark White and Kirk Sturgeon, ran along with the 250cc Pros. In round one, White and Sturgeon took their O'Neal-sponsored YZ465s out to the 1-2 slots, and rode them all the way to the finish that way, with White the leader. Yamaha/Kal-Gard-sponsored Bobby Kline rode in first 250cc at third overall, ahead of Gary Neal, Rob Tolleson, Brian Cherehkoff and Richard Bunch. Moto two was all Kline's, however. White took the holeshot with Sturgeon behind and Kline back in fifth, but as the pack came around out of the back section for the completion of lap one, Kline was in command. From there he ran away with the win, never getting any serious challenges from runner-up White. White's second gave him top overall cash for the class, with Kline grabbing second in the overall standings. Rob Tolleson and Gary Neal finished 3-4 in both the last moto and overalls, with Richard Bunch dropping to sixth in the moto, and fifth overall.

Intermediate action was furious all night, and in the Mini division, Bob Simons came out with a pair of moto victories to defeat Gary Szilagy. Doug Gentry rode two superb motos to sweep the 125cc Intermediate class ahead of Bob Byrne, while in the 250s Steve Gilbert's 1-2 tally gave him top overall finish. Mark Glasmeier ran away with the Open Intermediates, as did Zoli Meszaros in the 100s, with Bob Dunham topping the Veterans middle class.

In the Beginners, who made up the biggest classes all night, George Thomas came out with the Veterans Junior victory ahead of Ron Cole, with Tony Alessi grabbing the Mini Beginner top brass with his two moto wins ahead of Mark Stuen and Mike Hughes. James Boldizar was the rider to beat in the 100s, as runner-up Jay Havorka found out each round, while the 125cc class fell to Ron Stewart. Randy Bailey came in second each time in this the biggest class of the night, where 20 riders lined up each moto. Mike Raschke and Glenn Malquist traded first and seconds in each moto, with Raschke getting the better of the overalls in the 250cc Beginners, and in the Open Beginners Ronnie Lewis defeated Alan Lipsky both times for the win.

Results

MINI BEG: 1. Tony Alessi (Yam); 2. Mark Stuen (Yam); 3. Mike Hughes (Suz).
50 NOV: 1. Matt Blacklock (Suz).
60 EX: 1. Mouse McCoy (Yam).
MINI INT: 1. Bob Simons (Yam); 2. Gary Szilagy (Yam); 3. John Gersjes (Kaw).
MINI NOV: 1. Brett Cavanah (Yam); 2. Stagg Summer (Yam); 3. Cam Johnson (Yam).
100 BEG: 1. James Boloizar (Suz); 2. Jay Hovorka (Yam); 3. Bruce Delgado (Suz).
100 NOV: 1. Frank Darr (Suz); 2. John Peters (Suz); 3. Peter Csulak (Suz).
125 BEG: 1. Ron Stewart (Hon); 2. Randy Balley (Yam); 3. Jeff Vaughn (Hon).
125 INT: 1. Doug Gentry (Yam); 2. Bob Byrne (Hon); 3. Jack Greenberg (Suz).
100 INT: 1. Zoli Meszaros (Yam); 2. Rick Houghtaling (Suz); 3. Mark Davenport (Yam).
125 PRO: 1. Jim Simons (Hon); 2. Allen Hopper (Yam); 3. Ricky Arnold (Suz).
250 BEG: 1. Jim Stevens (C-A); 2. Glenn Malguist (Yam); 3. Eric Koch (C-A).
OPEN NOV: 1. Mike Stepak (Hon); 2. Rock Hash (Mai); 3. Pat Morgan (Yam).
250 NOV: 1. Craig Stanton (Yam); 2. Vince Friedl (Suz); 3. Doug Russell (Yam).
OPEN INT: 1. Mark Glasmeier (Yam); 2. Jesse Janes (Mai).
250 INT: 1. Steve Gilbert (Hon); 2. Kent Bartels (Hon); 3. Randy Johnson (Yam).
250/OPEN PRO: 1. Mark White (Yam). ; 2. Bob Kline (Yam); 3. Rob Tolleson (Yam).
CRC VETS JR: 1. George Thomas (Mai); 2. Ron Cole (Suz); 3. Paul Taylor (Suz).
CRC VETS INT: 1. Bob Dunham (Yam).
OPEN BEG: 1. Ronnie Lewis (Yam); 2. Alan Lipsky (Kaw); 3. Dan Sallinger (Suz).

Sulek, Matthews top CRC minicross

By Nanette Marie

VALENCIA, CA, AUG. 22

Action continued at Indian Dunes Friday night in the California Racing Club's Tri-Valley Suzuki Dealer's Summer Night Motocross Series, where a good turnout up at the mini track produced some fantastic races throughout the evening.

In the Pee Wee ranks, Tony Sulek and Bradley George came out winners at the end of their two 10-lap motos. Sulek, riding a modified Suzuki JR50, ran away with both motos to earn his overall, but in the Stock Novice class, George hd to come back from a stalled bike in each of the motos to take his laurels.

In the Junior Cycle ranks, Kal-Gard sponsored/1000 Oaks Yamaha rider Kyle Lewis lost his first moto of the series, and that moto loss also cost him his undefeated overall record as well. Lewis, running Expert now, ran up against Modified Intermediate Jon Matthews both rounds, and while in the first moto Lewis put Matthews away easily, round two saw him suffer bike problems and have to push it across the finish line. That second moto runner-up finish gave him second overall behind Matthews, who was trailing Lewis in moto two before Kyle pulled off.

In the Stock Intermediates, Danny Lamb put together two flawless moto wins, despite an early crash in moto one, where he remounted in dead last, and passed the entire field. For the Juniors, Steven Kotajarvi became the overall winner after Bubba Ericksen became plagued with crashes in his first moto. Ericksen shot out into the lead on the first lap, and from then on was never challenged as he pulled away to a comfortable margin over the pack. Kotajarvi was holding his own in second, as Ronnie Densford and Alvin Matthews put the pressure on, but neither could mount any serious charges as the moto progressed. Then, two laps from the finish, Ericksen went down and couldn't get his Suzuki restarted. Kotajarvi, Matthew and Densford went by in 1-2-3 order, as Ericksen entered the race once again from fourth. The checkers came out before he could advance any further, and the moto finishing positions were set. Moto two was Ericksen's, however, as he took the holeshot and went untouched all the way to the checkers. Paul Matthew, who went down on the first lap of the first moto, and finished dead last, ran second from the start and held the position all the way to the wire, while Kotajarvi had to settle for third the entire race, unable to find passing room. Alvin Matthew and Ronnie Densford came across 4-5, and the overall order was Kotajarvi, Ericksen, Alvin Matthew, Paul Matthew and Densford.

Results

PEE WEE STOCK: 1. Bradley George (Suz); 2. Tony O'Keefe (Suz).
PEE WEE MOD: 1. Tony Sulek (Suz).
0-83 STOCK BEG 9-11 YRS: 1. David Chambers (Yam); 2. Chris Cole (Suz); 3. Jeff Dunlap (Suz).
0-83 STOCK NOV: 1. Toby Lawes (Yam); 2. Mike Hammond (Suz); 3. Jim Collier (Kaw).
JR CYCLE STOCK BEG: 1. Steven Kotajarvi (Yam); 2. Bubba Ericksen (Suz); 3. Alvin Matthew (Suz).
JR CYCLE STOCK INT: 1. Danny Lamb (Yam).
JR CYCLE STOCK EX: 1. John Matthews (Suz); 2. Kyle Lewis (Yam).
0-83 STOCK BEG 12 & OVER: 1. Guy Giffin (Suz); 2. John S. Metz (Yam); 3. Mike McNeal (Yam).

Old Timers MX to Olson, Mosley

By Bob Alloy

VALENCIA, CA, AUG. 17

The Old Timers found Shadow Glen's track to be the perfect place for lots of MX riding, MX stories, and MX fun.

The Masters division got underway with "Moving" Marv Olson, now fully mended, grabbing the lead and controlling the action right up to the finishing line. Ray Sanchez had his Yamaha dialed in for top speed and took a nice second place win. The second moto began with Sanchez taking the lead and holding it for three laps. Then it was Olson out there in the lead which he carried for the win. Sanchez was there for a good second.

Dick Mosley of the Expert class grabbed the holeshot and quickly moved up to race with the Masters. Mosley held this beautiful lead for five laps and was looking good. The last lap was Bob Millner's cue for action, and he took the lead and kept the power on for the first place win. Mosley took second, Lou Sorenson came in with a third, and Dick Frampton was there for fourth. The second moto was Mosley's victory as he took an early lead and kept his Yamaha gassed up for that prized first place. Showing lots of good MX talent was Dave Hutchens with his second place win. Dan Sanchez was in there with a third and Frampton took another fourth.

The Amateur class started out with a star performer George Spearing riding with a cast on his wrist. Fearless George went on to overcome all obstacles and wrap up first place. Always out there with the action is Asker Larnkjaer and true to form Asker took a well-ridden second. Winning third place was Hal Grady and taking fourth was Buzz Moeller. Jim Cooke was out of the chute first and had the lead in the second moto, but Grady took control of things in lap three and continued this action on up to the checkered for first place. Moeller took second. Following Buzz was Ed Scheidler in third and Bob De Miranda was in there for fourth.

Curt Wyatt dominated the activity in the Novice class as he won both the first and second motos. Wyatt has been doing a lot of spectacular riding lately. Jim Gates was the second place winner in both motos. Third place winner in moto one was Bob Coffman. Doing it up right for third place in the second moto was John Turdo riding a brand new Yamaha.

Results

MASTERS: 1. Marv Olson (Hon); 2. Ray Sanchez (Yam).
EXPERTS: 1. Dick Mosley (Yam); 2. Bob Millner (Yam); 3.Dave Hutchens (Yam).
AMATEURS: 1. Hal Grady (Hus); 2. Buzz Moeller (Hus); 3. Bob De Miranda (Mai).
NOVICE: 1. Curt Wyatt (Yam); 2. Jim Gates (Suz); 3. Dal Calais (Yam).

270 finish Three Flags

By Lane Campbell

ENSENADA, B.C., MEX., SEPT. 1

The fifth annual running of the Three Flags Classic broke new ground, both in route direction (north-south for the first time) and in site of the finishers' banquet. The Ensenada Tourism Bureau as co-hosts in Mexico, chose the newly remodeled Pacifica Hotel's grand dining room — the bikers were the first group to use the facility.

(Bit of background: the Pacifica, originally built as a hotel/casino during the late 20s, was closed during a Mexican crackdown on organized gambling, later seized by the government, stood idle, and was extensively looted. In the late 70's, the Baja authorities began renovating/restoring the magnificent old relic, with its high aged wood ceilings and awesome architecture, to become a cultural and convention center. It was quite an honor for the Three Flags to be the premiere banquet group.)

The 1980 run originated at the Skyline Hotel in Richmond, near Vancouver, B.C., Canada with a limited entry of 300 starters. The limit is necessary due to the logistics of controlling a three-nation international tour. Riders had to be ready to sign in and move out before 8 p.m. Friday, Aug. 29. There may have been as many as nine scratches at this point, with standby riders filling the vacated slots. With an RCMP escort, the riders were breezed through traffic and to the border, waved straight through and on into the U.S.

From this point, the riders would be on their own, to make the five checkpoints within the allotted time brackets (most checks were open 18 hours, based on earliest and latest expected arrivals) and reach the finish in Ensenada, Mexico before 6 p.m. Monday, Labor Day. The route would follow I-5 to just below Portland, OR, then cross via McMinnville to U.S. 101 and continue down the coast on that route to the Mexican border.

There was one early scare for mid-pack riders — scene of two bikes off the freeway in the ditch and a host of people and parked vehicles gathered

at the roadside. It turned out to be two chopper riders working on their bikes by headlamp, but the incident got blown up into rumors of three riders dead as the troupe chained down through California, meeting in scattered groups and rehashing their experiences.

For those who were fresh enough and savvy enough to ride straight through the first night past Portland and keep going, the weather held. Those who chose to rest right away awoke Saturday to rain which would follow their miserable trek all down the damp Oregon coast to the California state line. Fortunately for the wet ones, Check Point Two was a Godsend — a giant roaring fire in a brick barbecue oven the size of a small house — great place to dry steaming leathers and soggy sleeping bags.

Moving south through redwood country and swooping mountain curves, the run reached the sun, and everything turned super. Ride, enjoy, and above all, keep moving, past the Golden Gate with fog rolling in and out of the bay, then ever southward as the highway turned to freeway and the miles droned on. One young fellow on a Suzuki 1100 was getting to the checks just as they opened, intent on setting some sort of record. The bulk of us were in and out of the checks by about six hours prior to closing, with one or two through in the last possible minutes, or worse, getting in minutes too late and losing their chance for finisher status.

Border crossing into Mexico was again fast and straightforward, and the run used the toll road for a straight shot to Ensenada, providing one survived the route through Tijuana and the detours. When the finish check near the Pacifica Hotel finally closed, 270 entrants had officially completed the run — 216 male riders, nine female riders (including one healthy lass in a cop helmet astride a blue Electra-Glide, and one lady who bought a new 650 BMW, started the run with 15 miles on the clock, and — er — broke it in on the way south), 31 passengers, and four "unknowns." (Huh?)

The Oldest Bike award went to Steve Tarriton, finishing on a 1952 BMW R68 with a chromed open prop shaft (neat); Oldest Rider was D. Baker, age 68, who has also finished all five Three Flags Classics; Long Distance Riders were Gabriel and Reinhard Busch from Germany, part of a small but enthusiastic contingent of European entrants adding more to the international flavor of this run.

Long Distance Female Rider (inside continental U.S.) was Kay Nicholls, who also shared the Smallest Bike award for finishing on a Kaw KZ200. Co-owner of the Small Bike honors was Roger Rietta on his Vespa scooter, who crashed three times on the way (including once in the finishers parade) and finally completed his first Three Flags after years of trying.

Last but not least there was the young woman (whose name I missed) who got a roaring, standing ovation from the banquet assembly (partially explains missing the name). Afflicted with MS, she elected to endure numbing cold, rain, pain, muscle spasms, and all, to finish her first Three Flags as a passenger. She stood there on the raised dais of the grand chamber of the old resort hotel, leaning on a cane and the shoulder of her rider/partner, took the mike and told us all in a clear voice, "One thing I know from this trip — set your mind to it, 'cause dammit, you can do it."

It brought the house down. ●

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NORTHERN DATELINE

Here come the Oldtimers! Vern McCall leads Amateur II at Clarks Branch.

Clarks Branch hosts 8th Annual Oldtimers Natl.

By Delbert Longbrake
Photo by Jan Newman

ROSEBURG, OR, AUG. 30-31

"That's the ugliest trophy girl I've ever seen" said a smiling Zoli Berenyi as he accepted his first place Master class trophy from Jim Geddes, president of the Oregon Oldtimers.

The event was the 8th Annual Oldtimers National held at the Clarks Branch Motocross track. Approximately 115 oldtimers (no one under the age of 40) were present to represent the states of Washington, Oregon, California and Nevada at the two day event. Add America's best friends, the Canadians, and it was then an International event.

Saturday morning the Oldtimers, the neighbors, the peacocks, horses and sheep and anything else close to the track were awakened by the bullhorn-amplified voice of Jim Ormsby, the man in charge of this National, as he tried to start the riders' meeting. Ormsby's riders' meetings resembled one or both of two things, a lynching mob or the 12th Cavalry in full charge formation.

One thing, however, would continue to become more obvious as the weekend progressed and that was that Ormsby and crew had everything in compelte control from the word go. When asked why he was chosen to be in charge of the event Ormsby replied, "Oldtimers are like sheep. When one leads, the rest will follow, and I just happened to be leading."

Saturday contained an over-full day of racing with the Masters, Experts, two divisions of Amateurs and Novices and two classes of Over The Hill Gangers all racing three motos, and four support classes all running two motos. Ralph Huffman had the track prepared in such a way that when walked upon, the tread design and brand name of your shoes were perfectly imprinted in the fluffy, moist soil.

The Masters were the first to race and it was a talent-packed class. Past AMA Grand National Champion Dick Mann was present and racing for the northern California club called Sierra Oldtimers.

But Dick wasn't the only past National champ on the line. Past National Canadian Motocross Champion Zoli Berenyi, who held that title once on a Greeves in 1965 and then again on a twin pipe CZ in 1967, was also present and accounted for. Berenyi, now a Honda dealer, rode for the Alberta Canada team. Oldest rider in the class was 60-year-old Dave McCoy from Los Angeles.

The Masters left the line with Dick Mann aboard his four-stroke Honda side by side with Bob White who was riding under the Washington banner. Before one lap could be completed, though, Mann went down, restarting in last. This put Washington riders in first and second, Bob White and "Maico Joe" MacKenzie.

Berenyi was moving up and he soon reeled in both riders for first place. Zoli crossed the finish line in first while his 77-year-old mother, on a visa from Hungary, looked on.

The second moto saw Zoli lead from start to finish with Mann in second, but the third moto was a disaster for Mann when he crashed, hurting his collarbone. Mann, who was just recovering from an injury, was now out of the competition and Saturday night left for home to have his doctor look him over. At the end of Saturday's racing, Berenyi led the Masters with three first-place finishes. White was second and "Maico Joe" was third.

The Expert class contained 27 riders, but the first moto belonged to Oregon rider Elmer Reimer. It looked like Elmer was going to have a good day after his first-place finish, but what actually took place was an incredible string of bad luck starting with the second moto.

The second moto began with Elmer again pulling into first and it looked like he was going to chalk up another win, but halfway through the moto a rock got lodged in the chainguard of his Suzuki putting him out of the race.

The third moto saw a huge pileup just after the start and the last rider to get untangled was, you guessed it, Elmer Reimer. But with almost everyone who was along the track cheering him on, Elmer moved back up to seventh place.

The day's racing came to an end at about 7:30 and afterwards there was a wienie roast with a beer wagon close by. But the Oldtimers didn't have a drunken brawl because at just the right time the beer wagon was locked up and most of the Oldtimers went to bed.

Sunday started the same way as Saturday with Jim Ormsby on the bullhorn. Zoli Berenyi also picked up where he had left off by again winning all three Master class motos. Joe MacKenzie took two seconds and one third for second overall.

Elmer Reimer had been working on his Suzuki all morning and with the help of Tom's Suzuki in Roseburg, he had new parts for his scoot. Elmer placed third in the first moto and second in the second moto, but bad luck struck again in the third moto as he fell while trying to pass another rider.

Elmer stated later, "I was over-anxious and stuffed my head into the dirt." He lost the war placing ninth overall, but he won the respect of many for his efforts. Ken Hodison rode consistently through all six motos which gave him a well deserved overall win.

Every class had its own battles and stories, but with so many classes it is impossible to share all of them. There were a few which were particularly close. One was in the Amateur 1 division as Fred Pariani and Jim Newman battled both days for top honors in that class. When it was all over, Jim held a one-point lead over "Fearless Fred."

Two riders from the Over The Hill Gang A division, Gordy Ochs from Washington and Ron Long from Oregon, raced every moto duking it out for first place. After two days and six motos of this madness, Ochs came in for first overall with Long getting third. After the last moto, the two were seen congratulating each other while they shared a cold drink.

The weekend ended as it had began, with Ormsby on the loudspeaker yelling, "Hey you guys, what are you doing over there? The beer's over here!"

Results

MASTERS: 1. Zoli Berenyi (Hon); 2. Joe MacKenzie (Mai); 3. Bob White (Mai).
EXPERT: 1. Ken Hodlson; 2. Jack Coulombe; 3. John Berzowecki.
AMATEUR I: 1. Jim Newman (Yam); 2. Fred Pariani (KTM); 3. Dave Adams (Hus).
AMATEUR II: 1. Ron Farmer; 2. Vern McCall; 3. Bud Coles.
NOV I: 1. Melvin Deeds; 2. Bud Rutherford; 3. Ray McArthur.
NOV II: 1. John Robinson; 2. Val Vanleuven; 3. T.W. Cordray.
OTHG A: 1. Gordy Ochs; 2. Bob Ince; 3. Ron Long.
OTHG B: 1. Tim Green; 2. Dave Waber; 3. Fred Strunk.
OTHG C: 1. Frank Sterker; 2. Bill Jones; 3. Greg Stow.
SUPPORT 250/OPEN: 1. Ed Marchini; 2. Ward Zeiler; 3. Derek Wells.
SUPPORT 100/125: 1. Kent Egli; 2. Dan Dossey; 3. Bill Baumardmer.

Oveland in overdrive at Clarks Branch MX

By Delbert Longbrake

ROSEBURG, OR, AUG. 24

On a track which most riders called perfect, Phillip Oveland from Saratoga, CA, and local rider Roy Davis won the Pro classes at the Clarks Branch Motocross near Roseburg, OR. Oveland won both the 250 and Open Pro classes, but it was Davis who took home the lion's share of the 200% Pro moto money by winning the 125cc class and placing second in the 250cc class.

While Davis' riding could only be described as hot, his Davis Discount Cycle Supply Yamaha could only be described as cool. Water-cooled that is! There were in fact three water pumpers in the 125cc Pro class as both Davis and other local Pro rider Carey Lund unveiled their newly modified machines. The other water-cooled machine belonged to Robby Watilo.

The 125cc Pros were led out of the starting gate by Watilo, but before one lap could be completed, Robby was moved back to third as Steve Pless and Jeff Cropper got by him. Davis was back in sixth. By the second lap, Cropper moved his M and M leathers-sponsored Yamaha into first and stayed there from then on.

On the third lap, Davis seemed to come out of nowhere as he moved into second. But it was a short stay by Davis in that spot as he fell, thereby moving back to eighth. He quickly moved back to sixth and then it was freight train time.

The train started at third place with engineer Mike Sommerville at the controls of the engine and went on to James Wiant, Lund and Davis. But Davis didn't stay in the caboose for long and in one lap moved around all three riders for third. On the last lap he replaced Steve Pless for second. Pless finished third with Sommerville in fourth. Lund, who nearly lost his radiator, came in for fifth.

In the second moto, Oregon City rider Pless grabbed the early lead with Lund, Watilo and Summerville close behind. Cropper and Davis were in 11th and 12th after both fell. Cropper moved up to seventh place, but then dropped back.

Davis, however, moved from 12th to first in just six laps. In doing so, he passed such riders as Rick Smith, Watilo, Sommerville and Lund which was the order of the finish.

There was a short delay in the program when a stray horse wandered onto the track to watch the 250cc Pros, but when the steed saw it was the 125cc Juniors on the line, he quickly vacated the track. Sheep on the Clarks Branch track is one thing but a full grown horse?

The 250cc Pros finally did get their turn on Ralph Huffman's beautifully prepared track and it was a Phillip Oveland show all the way in the first moto as Oveland's Yamaha was in front from start to finish. In second was Davis with Gary Rost riding his Herbs Cycle-sponsored Yamaha in third. Rost rode in third for all but the last two laps when Mike Sommerville passed him.

In the second moto, Oveland again was first out of the gate leading Sommerville and Steve Williams. Davis, because of a bad start, was in fifth but started moving up one position per lap and by the halfway flag was in second.

An astounding battle between Davis and Oveland for first followed. Davis got by Oveland and led for one lap but fell letting Oveland by. Davis finished second with Williams getting third.

In the Elderly Gents class, Lennie Riedinger out-placed Elmer Reimer in the second moto for first overall. Larry Fagan was duking it out with Medford KTM rider Fred Pariani for third, but it ended when Larry "bought the farm" after he decided to adjust his official green colored Boise Cascade suspenders while trying to negotiate his Suzuki through an S turn. It's a good bet that Larry will confine his suspension adjustments to shocks and forks from now on. ●

Results

125 PRO: 1. Roy Davis (Yam); 2. Carey Lund (Suz); 3. Mike Sommerville (Yam).
250 PRO: 1. Phillip Oveland (Yam); 2. Roy Davis (Yam); 3. Mike Sommerville (Yam).
OPEN PROS: 1. Phillip Oveland (C-A); 2. Phil Randall (Yam).
MIDGET: 1. Ryan Huffman (Suz).
PEE WEE: 1. Jason Jansen (Suz); 2. Andy Byrd (Yam); 3. Jimmy Row (Yam).
PEE WEE INT: 1. Monty Spalding (Suz); 2. Jeff Daily (Suz); 3. Andy Markiewicz (Suz).
MINI BEG: 1. Courtney Shaffer (Yam); 2. Todd Kephart (Yam); 3. Curtis Cunningham (Suz).
MINI JR: 1. Justin Geyer (Hon); 2. Tony Guido (Suz); 3. Tony Kephart.
MINI INT: 1. Terry Davis (Suz); 2. Gary Yarbrough (Hon); 3. Russ Reimer (Hon).
MINI EX: 1. Seth Malkon (Yam); 2. Troy Davis (Suz).
POWDER PUFF: 1. Becky Roberts (Suz); 2. Paige Dickenson (Suz); 3. Sandy Davis (Yam).
100 JR: 1. Tim Hackett (Suz); 2. Seth Malkon (Suz); 3. Tim Krayness (Yam).
125 JR: 1. Ted Perreard (Suz); 2. Mark Wattman (Hon); 3. Dave Croy (Yam).
125 INT: 1. Kent Egli (Yam); 2. Randy Alliman (Suz); 3. Dwayne Taylor (Hon).
250 JR: 1. Jack Hudson (Hon); 2. Scott Elder (Mon); 3. Steve Hurley (Hon).
250 INT: 1. Wes Roberts (Hon); 2. Duncan Davis (Yam); 3. Jim Jamieson (KTM).
OPEN JR: 1. Ken Kulluson (Hus); 2. Marty Webb (Yam); 3. Jim Jones (KTM).
OPEN INT: 1. Kent Reynolds (Kaw); 2. Jim Sargent (Yam); 3. Elmer Reimer (Suz).
ELDERLY GENTS: 1. Lennie Riedinger (Yam); 2. Elmer Reimer (Suz); 3. Frederick Pariani (KTM).

RESULTS

Scrambles
Sand Hill Ranch
Brentwood, CA
Aug. 22, 1980
By Jeri Hopper

50	
Doug De Lay	Suz
Scott Lakais	Yam
Matt MacPherson	Suz
80 NOV	
Michael Menjares	Suz
80 JR	
Curt Bissell	Kaw
125 NOV	
Tony Souza	Yam
George Hopper	Yam
250 NOV	
John Tooney	Yam
Jim Harris	Yam
JR	
Robbie Webster	Yam
Allen Alzeme	Yam
OPEN NOV	
Dave Bellina	Yam
Richard Barter	Yam
EX	
Gary Johnson	Mai
VET EX	
Paul Bostrom	Hon
VET JR	
Mike Underhill	Yam

Motocross
Sand Hill Ranch
Brentwood, CA
Aug. 16, 1980
By Jeri Hopper

50	
Doug De Lay	Suz
80 NOV	
Michael Menjares	Suz
Tallon Vohland	Yam
Richard Davis	Yam
80 EX	
Curt Bissell	Kaw
100 JR	
Deiter Klausing	Suz
125 NOV	
Rick Olson	Yam
Dan Vedmar	Suz
George Hopper	Yam
125 JR	
Bill Aguilar	Suz
250 NOV	
Rick Del Fiorentin	
Scott Perry	Suz
Mike Rague	Yam
250 JR	
Gary Plaatje	Hon
OPEN NOV	
Danny Souza	
Dennis Wermens	Suz
EX	
Mike Tans	Yam
VET NOV	
Morley Baker	Yam

Night Motocross
Seattle Intl. Raceway
Kent, WA
Aug. 22, 1980
By Sue Sykes

PEE WEE JR	
Brian Thomson	Yam
Kevin Wood	Suz
Gary Ekman	Suz
PEE WEE EX	
Lowell Thomson Jr	Yam
MINI JR	
Nick Myers	Hon
Troy Rose	Yam
Rick Kelley	Suz
MINI INT	
Lowell Thomson Jr	Yam
Jerry Andrews	Hon
Lonn Inman	Kaw
MINI EX	
Steve Oster	Suz
Dennis Dolquist	Yam
100 JR	
Steve Cameron	Suz
Geoff Seger	Suz
Mark Vollan	Suz
100 INT	
Jeff Chapman	Suz
Brad Kesselring	Yam
John Ekman	Suz
100 EX	
Kurt Howland	Suz
Wade Richotte	Suz
Chad Paine	Suz
125 JR	
Nick Myers	Hon
Greg Bickle	Yam
Scott Rickenscher	Suz
125 INT	
Jeff Chapman	Suz
Keith Kesselring	Yam
Craig Steele	Suz
125 INT	
125 EX	
Lance Richotte	Suz
Ron Alexander	Suz
Lance Kilgore	Suz
125 PRO	
Scott Henden	Yam
Cory Klaudt	Yam
Dave Henden	Yam
250 JR	
Darren Porter	Kaw
Douglas Wilke	Suz
J.J. Stanton	Yam
250 INT	
Roger Skavlem	Hus
Mark Soderberg	Yam
Jerry Callaway	Yam
250 EX	
Larry Karwoski	Mai
Harold Phenis	Hon
Michael Mitchell	Mai
250 PRO	
Eric Eaton	Mai
Gary Lockrem	Yam
Jim Sendelbach	Yam
OPEN JR	
Kip Read	Yam
Tom Houseman	C-A
Rick Kintner	Suz
OPEN INT	
Stephen Peters	Yam
Richard Johnson	Yam
Pete Treadwell	Suz
OPEN EX	
Kid Kenyon	Yam
Dave Weber	Yam
OPEN PRO	
Eric Eaton	Mai
John Hodges	Yam
Brian Soderberg	Yam
OTH	
Ron Scholz	Hus
Richard Kelley	Hon
John Colla	Yam

CMC/Bosch Pacific Championship MX Series Labor Day Classic
Saddleback Park
Orange, CA
Aug. 31, 1980
By Mike Klinger

MINI JR STK	
M. Lieber	Yam
J. Ray	Suz
M. Thompson	Kaw
MINI JR MOD	
M. Lieber	Yam
M. Thompson	Kaa
K. Clifton	Suz
MINI INT STK	
R. Dickinson	Suz
C. Taylor	Kaw
D. Hammack	Suz
MINI INT MOD	
R. Dickinson	Suz
C. Taylor	Kaw
MINI EX STK	
S. Storer	Kaw
B. Bunch	Kaw
B. Moore	Yam
MINI EX MOD	
S. Storer	Kaw
B. Bunch	Kaw
B. Moore	Yam
100cc JR	
G. Kusnlerg	Yam
125cc JR	
J. McCaughey	Suz
B. Thiebert	Kaw
M. Hanley	Hon
250cc JR	
P. Harrison	Yam
S. Piettoni	Kaw
J. Carstairs	Yam
500cc JR	
J. West	Yam
C. Porto	Mai
M. Downs	Yam
125cc INT	
T. Tetone	Suz
R. Navera	Yam
G. Bowman	Hon
250cc INT	
M. Rose	Tez
R. Baumgartner	Kaw
D. Clement	Yam
500cc INT	
D. Hoover	Suz
R. Intorf	Yam
G. Senecal	Yam
125cc PRO	
G. Holland	Suz
R. Turner	Suz
M. Tripes	TCW
S. Manning	Yam
D. Chandler	Hon
R. Maki	Yam
C. Gormley	Yam
J. Whelchel	Yam
D. Cates	R&D
R. Johnson	Yam
250cc PRO	
D. Hansen	Hon
W. Reid	Kaw
J. Jennings	Hon
P. Wanket	Yam
J. Tarantino	Hon
C. Hardick	Suz
E. Arnet	Yam
J. Renavidez	Can
S. Johnson	Hon
C. Gormely	Yam
500cc PRO	
C. Hardick	Suz
R. Turner	Suz
M. White	Yam
R. Marino	Yam
D. Gerig	Hus
D. Andersen	Mai
B. Keefe	Hus
V. Tamietti	Mai
S. Walker	Yam
R. Norman	Yam

CMC/Bosch Pacific Championship Series Final Pro Point Standings
By Mike Klinger

125cc PRO	
1. R. Turner	69
2. S. Manning	63
3. M. Tripes	56
4. D. Chandler	50
5. J. O'Mara	36
6. C. Chapman	35
7. E. Baker	31
8. F. Schlegel	27
9. G. Denton	22
S. Pfaff	22
11. R. Ryan	21
12. B. Elliott	20
C. Heisser	20
G. Holland	20
15. R. Maki	19
16. J. Raymer	14
17. J. Watts	13
C. McCuistion	13
19. C. Manning	12
J. Cressa	12
250cc PRO	
1. P. Wanket	75
2. J. Jennings	61
3. R. Staten	48
4. R. Turner	46
5. E. Arnet	44
6. D. Hansen	36
7. C. Hardick	35
8. B. Grossi	30
9. S. Johnson	29
10. J. Benavidez	24
11. J. Ward	20
J. Heiberger	20
13. M. Moates	16
D. Coupe	16
W. Reid	16
16. J. Tarantino	15
17. D. Turner	13
18. C. Gormely	11
19. L. Ramage	10
W. Carlson	10
J. Ellis	10
500cc PRO	
1. R. Turner	81
2. R. Staten	49
S. Walker	49
4. C. Hardick	40
5. M. Tedder	33
6. B. Marino	31
7. E. McKenna	22
8. G. Breker	20
J. Heiberger	20
N. Snarr	20
V. Tamietti	20
12. A. Smith	19
B. Jodry	19
14. M. White	18
15. J. Gibson	16
R. Holladay	16
17. D. Turner	13
D. Wood	13
D. Fisher	13
20. D. Andersen	12
L. Vick	12

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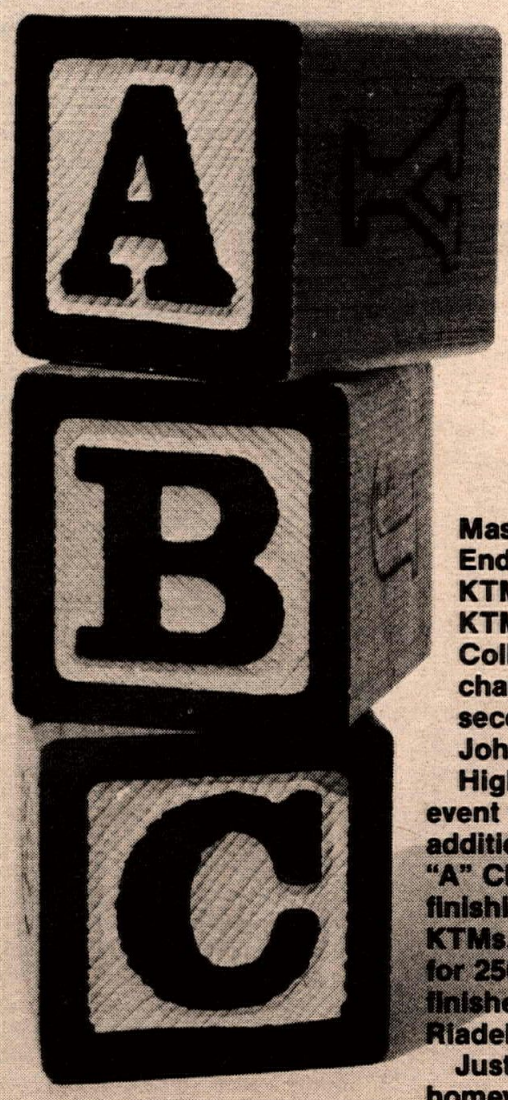

KTM riders are showing they know the National Enduro series from A to Z, and their performance in the last two events continues the winning story.

Bill Berroth was the class "A" High Point winner at the Massachusetts National Enduro August 24 on a KTM 175. Class "B" was a KTM sweep, with Joe Collins as "B" High Point champion, Joe Palumbo second, and Jeff Johanson third. Class "C" High Point winner at the event was Dave Spinoza. In addition, Rod Bush won the "A" Class, with Vic Ely finishing third, both on 175 KTMs. And in the "A" Class for 250s, Darryl Kuenzer finished first and Hans Riadel finished third.

Just to show they did their homework, KTM riders also won big at the Columbia, South Carolina National Enduro August 31. Vic Ely was the "A" High Point winner and Rod Bush, back with another class win, was first in the 200 "A" group.

There should be a lesson here for riders on the competition. You can go to the enduros with any motorcycle, but if you want to be at the head of the class, you should be riding a KTM.

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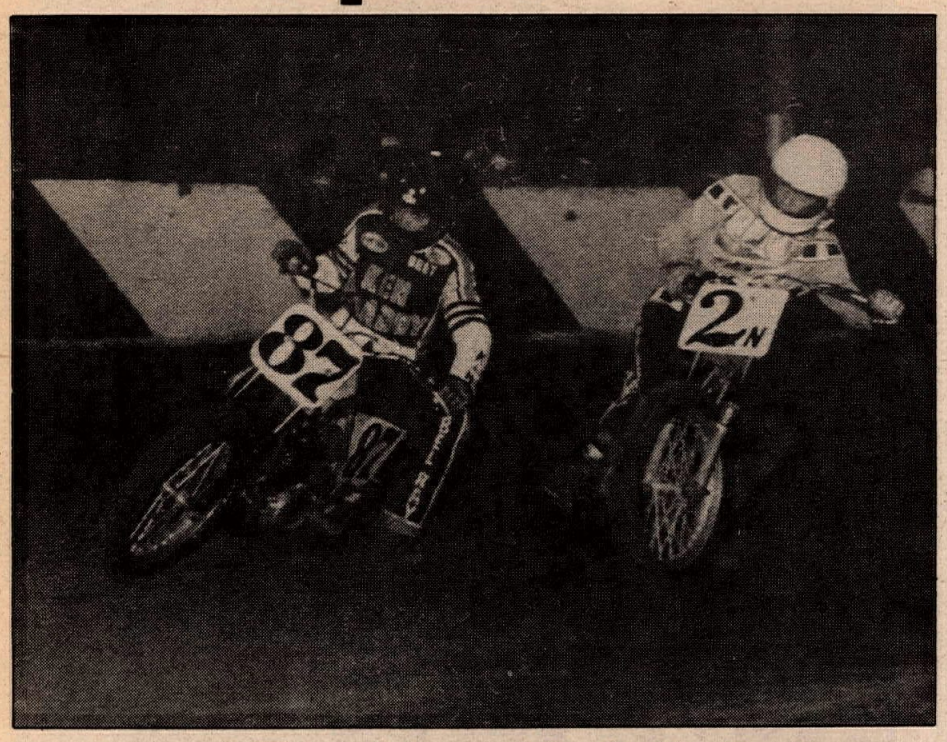


Steve Pendergraft (2N) backs 'er in towards Bret Braddy at Ross Downs.

Dust flies at Atwood Bonus/ CMMC motocross

By Mitch Rorabaugh

ATWOOD, KS, AUG. 24

Riders overcame hot winds carrying thick dust as Atwood hosted a KMSA Bonus motocross combined with the ninth round of the Coors Midwest Motocross Championship.

Unveiled at sign up was a sampling of the overall trophies to be given to top season points finishers in each class of the CMMC Series. They are truly massive works of arts, beautiful in every detail, and had more than one competitor drooling uncontrollably.

With only five more races remaining int he CMMC, everyone seemed to be on the gas despite the often blind conditions inherent with the dust.

Jesse Wessels guided his 440 Maico to a pair of moto wins in the Open Seniors for a clear-cut victory. The next three places overall were decided only in the second moto as Dave Emerick went 4-2, Gary Gibbs 3-3 and Dan Hoover 2-4.

Wessels took the opening moto's holeshot and extended his lead to the end over Hoover, who slipped by Gibbs on the second lap, Gibbs, Emerick and Larry Chvatal. Hoover got the lead in the second moto only to crash back to fifth early on, letting Wessels by for the win with Emerick lurking in second ahead of Gibbs.

In 250cc Senior action, it was Kevin Wagoner pulling the opening moto holeshot with Tom Kuhl, Hoover and Craig Robl in tow. The four Yamahas circulated the course spaced evenly apart as the dust made passing a touchy chore. Robl was forced to drop out as his motor continually tried to seize and fifth place Jon Ungerer's Kawasaki was forced out with clutch problems. Wagoner held onto first over Kuhl and Hoover.

Kuhl, Wagoner and Hoover emerged from the first turn in that order and kept the same positions to the end of the second moto with Kuhl taking a secure win.

Only three 125cc Seniors were entered, but provided some of the closest racing action. Robl cranked his Yamaha into the lead over Mitch Rorabaugh and Jeff Bargell. Rorabaugh hounded Robl from the start until slipping over the top of a "poof" berm avoiding a bobbled Robl. Bargell dived into second and one lap later scooted by for the lead when Robl fell. Bargell went on to win over Rorabaugh and Robl.

Bargell led the second moto with Robl and Rorabaugh closely trailing. Midway through the first lap Rorabaugh pulled by Robl on a rough uphill leading onto a long straight. Bargell had amassed a slight lead by then that Rorabaugh wasn't able to close during the remaining five laps.

Russ Pickering led both motos of the 100cc class on his Yamaha, but bike problems put him out of each moto. Bert Weaver was consistent and fast for the sweep of both motos over Walter Schultz and Dwain Worley.

Pickering's luck ran better in the 125cc Juniors as he won it overall with a 2-1 over Atwood's own Brian Luedke with a 1-2.

After leading every lap of the first moto, Luedke crashed in a cloud of dust at the start of the second moto. He managed to work back up to second place for runnerup overall. Pickering kept well out front on his Kawasaki for the win. Robert Vogt and Danny Flynn came in third and fourth both times out.

Bret Weaver was unstoppable in the 250cc Juniors as he ran off with both motos on his Uni-Trak. Curt Eveleigh ran second throughout the first moto and worked up from a fifth-place start in the second for second overall ahead of Robert Vogt. Dave Lidden claimed fourth overall on his Yamaha.

Jerry Clason's 2-3 finishes in the Open Juniors was good for the overall ahead of a "not-quite-so-consistent" A.J. Warta. Warta had troubles finding the track at the start of the first moto and worked his way back through the dust for a fifth. He then powered past Clason early in moto two for that win for second overall over Curt Eveleigh and Jerry Jones.

Results

MINI JR: 1. Jonathan Pancake (Yam); 2. Roddy Dill (Suz); 3. Brad Richards (Yam).
MINI SR: 1. Kevin Wolf (Yam); 2. Mark Wells (Yam); 3. Bert Weaver (Suz).
100: 1. Bert Weaver (Suz); 2. Walter Schultz (Suz); 3. Dwain Worley (Suz).
125 JR: 1. Russ Pickering (Kaw); 2. Brian Luedke (Yam); 3. Robert Vogt (Suz).
125 SR: 1. Jeff Bargell (Suz); 2. Mitch Rorabaugh (Suz); 3. Craig Robl (Yam).
250 JR: 1. Bret Weaver (Kaw); 2. Curtis Eveleight (Yam); 3. Robert Vogt (Suz).
250 SR: 1. Tom Kuhl (Yam); 2. Kevin Wagoner (Yam); 3. Dan Hoover (Yam).
OPEN JR: 1. Jerry Clason (Yam); 2. A.J. Warta (Yam); 3. Curtis Eveleigh (Yam).
OPEN SR: 1. Jesse Wessels (Mai); 2. Dave Emerick (Yam); 3. Gary Gibbs (Yam).
ENDURO: 1. Doug Heller (Suz); 2. Lee Neitzel (C-A).

MXers dominate Ross Downs

By Michael S. Lussem
Photo by Camera Arts

COLLEYVILLE, TX, AUG. 23

With the short track field decimated by the AMA National Short Track Finals in Wichita, KS, the motocrossers were the big show as more than 30 entrants tried their machinery on the Ross Downs Stadium track.

The 80cc Junior/Senior MX class saw Eddie Martinez (Yam) return to winning form as he blew away the field on his YZ. The real contest was between Gary Hatfield (Yam), Ronnie Camp (Hon) and Richard Patterson (Yam) with Hatfield squeezing out second and Camp nipping Patterson at the line for third. The Senior class winner was Rick Argeris (Yam) on his Two Wheeled World-sponsored machine.

The 125cc MX Main had Zeke Brock on his Ft. Worth Optical-sponsored Yamaha break Ed Cook's string of wins. Brock had little competition as the tough Ross Downs track took its toll on the competitors. Cook on his RM challenged a number of times, but could only garner a second. Richard Hill (Carter's Yamaha) finished out the places.

The 250/Open Amateur MX saw the largest field of the evening following Mike Watkins (Carter's Yamaha) as he avenged his second-place showing of a week ago and took the win in a hotly-contested race. Danny Ball on his Texoma Kawasaki KX had his hands full staving off attacks by Scott Pendergraft (Suz) and Tim Randolph, also on a Texoma Kawasaki KX. When the checkers fell, it was Watkins, Ball and Pendergraft.

The Expert 125/Open Main was well represented as six riders made it to the start. David Jones (Dallas Suzuki RM) did it again as he backed up his win of last week with another this time. David Myers (Hon) again was the bridesmaid as he just can't find the horsepower to take Jones at the stadium track. Jeff Pendergraft (Suz) put in a fine showing as he took third place money. As one can see by the results, the Pendergraft family is really committed to Ross Downs racing!

The motocross "Dash for Cash" had a battle royale between Mike Watkins (Carter's Yamaha) and David Jones (Dallas Suzuki). At the end of the three-lapper, it was Watkins taking the checkers and the check.

With the big Nationals in Wichita, only four classes of short track were fielded. The Micro Mini Auto class saw the battle for dominance go to Tim Kay (Suz) this week as he bested the field of four. His perennial rival, and last week's winner, Greg Teague (Suz) had to settle for second place.

The 250cc Amateur Sportsman Main was well represented as Remington Enterprises-sponsored Greg Harrison (Hon) showed the field that an XR can compete with the two-strokes, and win! Actually there was slight competition for Harrison, but it was serious racing for the rest of the field as the Ross Downs regulars were up north. David Williams (Yam) had all he could handle for Thompson Masonary-mounted David Thompson (Yam) was pushing all the way. Williams took the second place trophy with Thompson picking up third.

The Open class saw the "thunder" roll as the big bikes came to the line. National number holder Bret Braddy returned to the scene of his triumph of last week and did it to everyone again. Aboard his Consolidated Racing/ Viper Frame Yamaha 500, he had all he could do to keep T.J. Houghton (Carter's Yamaha 500) from beating him. Greg Harrison, who looked so good in the 250cc Trophy class, took his Remington Enterprises Honda XR500 to the third place slot in fine order.

The 250cc Expert class saw 11 Pros take the line for the main. National number holder Steve Gulledge out of Ray/Sue Racing-Dallas Yamaha avenged his poor showing last week by taking it to the limit for the entire 12 laps. Gulledge, who has had some consistency problems, had no trouble with the field as he led from green to checkers. The real contest was between national campaigners Steve Pendergraft (Yam) and Bret Braddy (Consolidated Racing Yam). Pendergraft showed Braddy his exhaust right to the finish for the second spot.

The Short Track Trophy Dash saw the six fastest 250cc Experts go for it, with Steve Gulledge making it official, "National number 33 is back!"

Next week Ross Downs will have their "National" heroes back for the Mid-America Championships.

Results

MOTOCROSS
80cc JR: 1. Eddie Martinez (Yam); 2. Gary Hatfield (Yam); 3. Ronnie Camp (Hon).
80cc SR: 1. Rick Argeris (Yam).
125cc; 1. Zeke Brock (Yam); 2. Ed Cook (Suz); 3. Richard Hill (Yam).
250/OPEN AM: 1. Mike Watkins (Yam); 2. Danny Ball (Kaw); 3. Scott Pendergraft (Yam).
125/OPEN EX: 1. David Jones (Suz); 2. David Myers (Hon); 3. Jeff Pendergraft (Suz).
"DASH FOR CASH": 1. Mike Watkins (Yam).
SHORT TRACK
MICRO MINI AUTO: 1. Tim Kay (Suz); 2. Greg Teague (Suz).
250cc TROPHY: 1. Greg Harrison (Hon); 2. David Williams (Yam); 3. David Thompson (Yam).
OPEN: 1. Bret Braddy (Yam); 2. T.J. Houghton (Yam); 3. Greg Harrison (Hon).
250cc EX: 1. Steve Gulledge (Yam); 2. Steve Pendergraft (Yam); 3. Bret Braddy (Yam).
TROPHY DASH: 1. Steve Gulledge (Yam).

Newman shakes Rio Bravo bane

By John Rannikko, Jr.

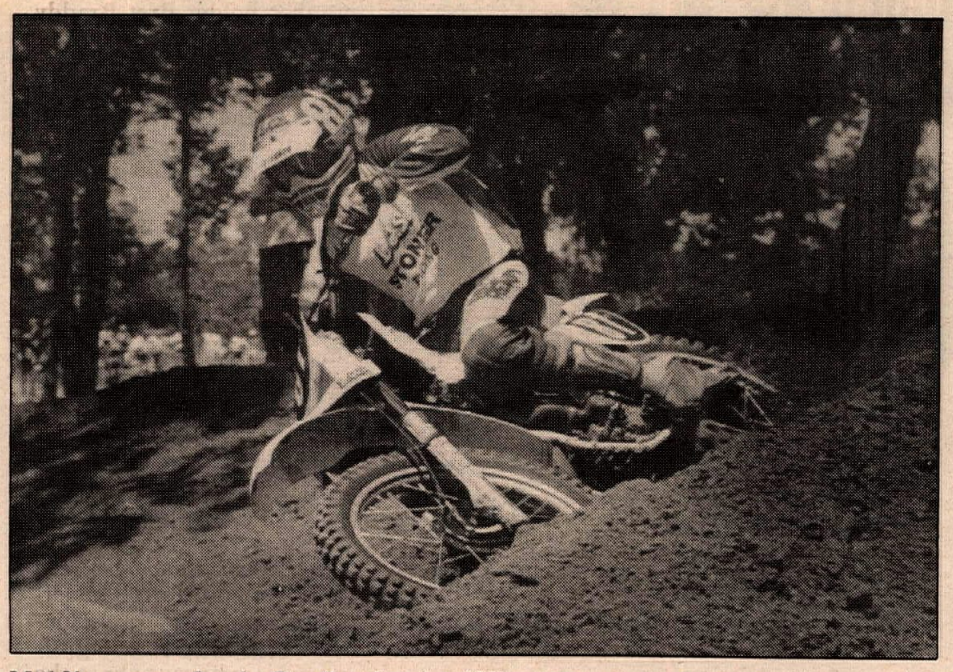
HOUSTON, TX, AUG. 17

Mel "Melon" Newman of Dallas blitzed his long string of bad luck at Rio Bravo Raceway and motored a buck-and-a-quarter, water-boiling Mugen to a pair of 125cc Expert firsts ahead of a big class of good riders. The Intermediates didn't have a prayer for the giant seven-foot first place trophies because Phil Reed of Sherwood, AR, was in town with a selection of Hondas covering 125, 250 and Open classes. This may be hearsay, but I heard in the pits that Phil's mom Donna was thinking about adding a porch to their home and wanted three seven-foot trophies to use as posts to hold up the roof.

The 125cc Expert class stretched from here to yonder as they snugged up to the gate for the first moto start. When the gate dropped, Kyle Landrum (Hon) led a pack of ring-a-ding-dingers to the first turn, but kissed the sand as he and several others found themselves picking up their racing iron while Newman led the charge from there.

Bill McCalip never made the turn and rocketed over a dropoff, T-boning a tree at the bottom and sending him rolling over the bars down the hill. It looked serious, but he shook it off and got on the track in a distant last place.

Landrum had been looking forward to a shot at mowing down Mel's Mugen, but a shot at Mel from 18th



Mel Newman nixed a Pro jinx for the 125cc Expert win at Rio Bravo.

place on the first lap seemed out of sight. Meanwhile, Newman exploded at every turn and seemed to jump to the next as he led Mike Clement (Yam), Wendell Simmons (Kaw), Alley Semar (Hon) and Jeff Edwards (Suz) on the first lap.

At mid-moto, the top positions remained the same with the exception that Semar bumped Simmons out of third. Jerry Surber was holding off Craig Raymond for sixth and took over fifth as second place Clement pulled off for chain tensioner repairs.

With two laps to go, Newman had a healthy lead over Semar, Edwards, Simmons, Surber, Raymond and a surprisingly powerful Landrum. Misreading the finish line flags, Surber pulled off a lap early and the rest of the top five remained the same with Landrum landing a sixth after a disastrous start.

The second 125cc Expert moto was Landrum's opportunity to get a shot at Newman, as Landrum, Edwards, Raymond and Keith Eldred trailed unjinxed Newman through the first turn and around the first lap. Mike Clement, who settled for an eighth in the first moto after some mechanical difficulties forced him to pull off while in second, now held an early seventh, but was moving up on the leaders.

At the midway point, Newman held a 10-second cushion on Landrum and was continuining to fatten it up as Edwards, Clement, Raymond, Sullivan and Semar followed. The finish line flagman saw the same parade pass the checkered flag as when he held up the halfway sign. Newman was untouched for the overall win as he finally won over his bad luck at Rio Bravo. Edwards' 3-3 finishes gave him second overall followed by Landrum (6-2), Semar (2-6) and Clement (8-4).

It's obvious why Rio Bravo is one of Mickey Pizzitola's favorite tracks when he usually pulls holeshots and wins here. Pizzitola did one of his favorite things at one of his most favorite tracks as he pulled the holeshot in the first 250cc Expert moto ahead of Ricky Glaser (Yam), Keith Tarver (Yam), Darwin Huckabee (Hon) and Jeff Shaw (Hus).

First lap action included an attempt by Huckabee to knock down a tree bigger than he. As he approached the downhill before the tree, his back wheel hit the inside banking and sent Huckabee and Honda down the hill, separated in mid-air. As the rider hit the tree, the bike tumbled down the track. After what seemed a long time, Huckabee was helped up, sore, but alright and ready to sit out the rest of the race.

The moto continued and Glaser replaced Pizzitola (Hon) on lap two and David McClain (Hon) charged into fourth behind Tarver. Lack of conditioning due to injury-induced off-time began to show early as Pizzitola began to fade behind Glaser.

At the halfway point, Glaser held seven seconds on second-place Pizzitola who had both McClain and Derek Wedding in his shadow. Another tight trio of Shaw, Tarver and Scooter Bates followed. Moments later, Wedding DNF with mechanical problems and McClain popped Pizzitola for second.

The order of the first moto finish was Glaser, McClain, Pizzitola, Bates and Shaw.

Paul Baker took away one of Pizzitola's favorite things in the second moto. Baker got the holeshot, but high-sided through the first turn to an unpleasant landing. Fortunately, everyone got by the downed rider and it was Pizzitola out front a few turns later.

On the first lap, Paul Renfro (C-A), Wedding, Bates and Bubba Wilson (Hon) trailed Pizzitola. Without any mechanical problems, Wedding nailed the lead two laps later while Glaser was working up from sixth place.

It took Glaser just over half the moto to overtake Pizzitola and from there he followed Wedding to the finish, confident of the overall since Wedding DNF the first moto.

Glaser had an excellent ride, considering he had trashed out his gear box in the first moto and rode the second moto with only three gears. The overall 250cc Expert results were: Glaser (1-2), Pizzitola (3-3), Wilson (7-4), Shaw (4-7), and Renfro (8-5). ●

Results

TEENY MINI: 1. Crispy Vreeland (Yam); 2. Colin Edwards (Suz); 3. Chris McCall (Suz).

MINI MINI: 1. Ronnie Tichenor (Yam); 2. Joe Bob Ebers (Yam); 3. Dale Storbeck (Yam).

MINI BIKE STOCK: 1. Mark Knowles (Yam); 2. Danny Storbeck (Yam); 3. Kit Vick (Yam).

MINI JR: 1. Eddie Vreeland (Yam); 2. B.B. McCloud (Suz); 3. Frankie Brundage (Suz).

MINI SR: 1. Jeff Gibson (Yam); 2. Mark Knowles (Yam); 3. Wesley Wiggins (Yam).

100: 1. Danny Schmitt (Yam); 2. Barry Henry (Yam); 3. Ricky Andre (Yam).

125 NOV: 1. Mike Brown (Suz); 2. Jerry LeBlanc (Suz); 3. Robert Stafford, Jr. (Yam).

250 NOV: 1. Gene Hegemeyer; 2. Gary Canady (Hon); 3. Steve Plentt (Yam).

OVER 30: 1. Troy Rapp (Yam); 2. Darius Gramley; 3. James Cantwell (Kaw).

125 INT: 1. Phil Reed (Hon); 2. Steve Ganthier (Hon); 3. John Holley (Yam).

OPEN INT: 1. Phil Reed (Mug); 2. Tim Candle (Mon); 3. Jeff Wilson (Yam).

125 EX: 1. Mel Newman (Mug); 2. Jeff Edwards (Suz); 3. Kyle Landrum (Hon).

250 EX: 1. Ricky Glaser (Yam); 2. Mickey Pizzitola (Hon); 3. Bubba Wilson (Hon).

OPEN EX: 1. Scooter Bates (Yam); 2. Willie Phel (Hus); 3. Jeff Shaw (Hus).

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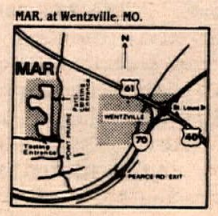

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10/25	San Diego, CA

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9/21	Lexington, OH
9/28	Buchanan, MI
10/5	New Berlin, NY
10/12	Braselton, GA
10/19	Sears Point, CA

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10/12	150 mi. Nat'l. Enduro Riders Assn. Columbus, OH 614/272-8146

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**10/18-19	Ontario Motor Speedway NHRA World Finals Ontario, CA

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9/13-14	Lone Star Nationals Houston, TX
10/11-12	World Finals Gulfport, MS

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9/27-28	Southernationals TBA
10/18-19	Okie Classic Tulsa Intl. Raceway Tulsa, OK
10/25-26	Florida State Championships Speed World Orlando, FL
11/22-23	National Finals Gainesville, FL

1980 SCORE Race Schedule

11/4-7	Baja 1000 Ensenada, BC

1980 AMA National Hillclimb Series

9/14	Freemansburg, PA
9/21	Jefferson, PA
10/12	Oregonia, OH

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Central Region

10/5	Lake Whitney, TX Rio Bravo MX 713/482-7593
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11/1-2	Carlsbad, CA Superbikers

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EVERY WEEK

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Thursday

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OKLAHOMA

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CMC MOTOCROSS
Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad, CA. Gates open 7:00 a.m., prac. 8:00, race 9:00 a.m. 714/727-1171.

OREGON

OPEN SPORT RIDING/FLAT TRACK/MOTOCROSS
Sunny Valley Raceway, Sunny Valley, OR. 11 mi. N from Grants Pass on I-5, exit at Sunny Valley, W on Leland Rd. Track open 10 a.m. to dark for $5. 503/479-2405; 476-8829.

September 10

R.A.C.E. FLAT TRACK
Corona Raceway, Corona, CA. Off 91 Fwy. @ Buchanan. All classes, 30% Sptsmn. trophies, $ to Pros. Entry $6, Pros $8. Alternate TT & ST. Elaine Jones 714/689-1913, 735-1705.

September 12

CRC NIGHT MOTOCROSS
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. International [illegible] All classes, CRC [illegible] req. Entry $9, Pros $13. Prac. 7 p.m., race 8. Info 213/830-7519.

SAN DIEGO QUALIFIER

CRC NIGHT MINI MOTOCROSS
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. All classes, 30% trophies. Entry $9. Prac. 7 p.m., race 8. CRC memb. req. Info 213/830-7519.

ALL M/C INDOOR SWAP MEET
Orange County Fairgrounds, Costa Mesa, CA. S end of Newport (55) Fwy. 6-11 p.m. Intershows, PO Box 2910, Mission Viejo, CA 92690. 714/831-5116.

September 13

ARIZONA MOTOCROSS
Canyon Raceway, Phoenix, AZ. 1¼ mi. W of 99th Ave. & Carefree Hwy. Beg.-Ex., 100% p.b. Gates open 4:30 p.m., prac. 5:30. Entry $10, Ex. $14. T. T. Timmons 602/931-3696.

AFM ROAD RACE SCHOOL & OPEN PRACTICE
Riverside Raceway, Riverside, CA. Hwy. 60 E of town to Day St. exit, turn rt. to track. All classes, new riders & open prac. Entry $40. Gates open 8 a.m., close 4 p.m. Harry Bresach 714/523-3892.

September 14

AFM ROAD RACE
Riverside Raceway, Riverside, CA. Hwy. 60 E of town to Day St. exit, turn rt. to track. All classes, $25 1st entry, $15 ea. additional. AFM, 4996 Argyle Dr., Buena Park, CA 90621. 714/523-3892.

OAK HILL MOTOCROSS
Oak Hill MX, Alvord, TX. Between Decatur & Mt. Zion Rd. All classes, split schedule, trophies to 5th, 150% Ex. cash p.b. by moto & overall. 5 rider/class min., oversize classes will qualify to 1 class. Free O/N camping, Texas Emergency Serv., concessions, electric hook-ups ($5/weekend). Entry $8, Ex. $10, gate $4. Info 817/427-4771.

D-37 MOTOCROSS
Sunrise Valley Cycle Park, Adelanto, CA. 2 mi. N of Adelanto on Hwy. 395. All classes welcome. AMA Prog. Pro & D-37 MX pts. Free O/N camping. Entry $15 Pro, $9 Sptsmn. Purse 80% up to $1200. No memb. req. Nick Brajevich 714/245-7339.

ZAP/CMC MOTOCROSS
Fremont Raceway, Fremont, CA. All classes inc. Vets, OT & special Beg. class (125 & 250) for those who have never trophied. Gates open 6:30 a.m., prac. 8:30, race 9:30. Entry $12, Pros $15 + $3 gate. 30% awards, 100% p.b. Info 415/355-4760.

THURSTON-GRAYS FALL MOTOCROSS
Thurston-Grays Harbor ORV Park, Olympia, WA. 16 mi. W of town on Hwy. 8. All classes inc. OT & OTH. Sand track, free camping, Pro p.b. Sign up 8 a.m. Entry $9, Pros $18, watch $3. Info 206/871-4753, 426-8090.

CRC GRINGO FAMILY ENDURO
Rosarito Beach, Mexico. 15 mi. S of Tijuana. CRC bonus pts., free camping on beach. Mail entry $17, post $22, non-memb. add $3. $6 Mexican insurance must be paid @ registration in Rosarito. CRC, 7601 Arlington, Riverside, CA 92503. 714/689-7117.

AMA/WINSTON PRO SERIES HALF-MILE NATIONAL
Tulsa State Fairgrounds, Tulsa, Ok. Racing starts 2 p.m. Tickets $10/$15. JAS Promotions, PO Box 7065, Tulsa, OK 74105. 918/744-1113.

D-27/28 MOTOCROSS
Mountain View Cycle Park, Sandy, OR. AMA Am. & Prog. MX. Entry $8, Prog. $12, watch $3.50, 7-11 $2. Info 503/668-4851.

MABTON DUNES MOTOCROSS
Mabton Dunes, Yakima, WA. 30 mi. S of town. All new track, all sand, no rocks. 100% Pro p.b., 30% trophies. Entry $10, Pros $15. Pat Jaquish 509/837-8203.

AME MOTOCROSS
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. Post entry $9 Sptsmn., $13 Pros. Pro p.b., 30% brass. Gates open 7 a.m., prac. 8, race 9 a.m. AME lic. req. All classes. For info: AME, PO Box 1421, Reseda, CA 91335. 213/881-5778.

AME MINI MOTOCROSS
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. Post entry $9. All classes. Gates open 7:00 a.m., prac. 8, race 9. 30% trophies. AME lic. req. AME, PO Box 1421, Reseda, CA 91335. 213/881-5778.

LIGHTWEIGHTS SEMI-PRO ST & SPEEDWAY
Saddleback Park, Orange, CA. Chapman Ave. E from Newport (55) Fwy., S on Santiago Canyon Rd. Trophies for Nov./Am., 80% Ex. p.b. Special classes : Beg., Srs., Hacks, Speedway & Pro. Gates open 7:30 a.m., prac. 9, sign up closes 9:30, race 10. Gate $6, entry $8, Semi-pro $15, watch $3. Lightweights M.C. 213/317-7356, 495-4771.

NMA FALL NATIONALS
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. 50-250cc, 30% trophies, San Diego Qualifier. $10,000 awards & prizes for series. Gates open 6:30 a.m., prac. 8, race 9:30. For entry forms call 213/868-8112.

CRC MOTOCROSS
Saddleback Park, Orange, CA. All classes, 2 motos each. Cash p.b. to Pros, 30% brass to Sptsmn. Entry $10/$15 Pros. Gates open 7 a.m., prac. 8, race 9:30. CRC memb. req. 213/830-7519.

SAN DIEGO QUALIFIER

DEANZA MOTOCROSS
DeAnza Cycle Park, Sunnymead, CA. 10 mi. E of Riverside CA on H-60 to Theodore off ramp. All classes. 30% same day trophies to Sptsmn. 100% trophies to Minis & Pee Wees. Entry $12 Ex., $8 Sptsmn. Non-memb. add $2. Memb. not req. Park open Tues.-Sun. for prac. Gates open 7:00 a.m., prac. 8, race 9. Everybody goes 2 motos. Free camping. 714/653-8068; 653-5840; 653-7979.

TWO-HOUR MARATHON
Sand Hill Ranch, Brentwood, CA. Corner of Camino Diablo & Vasco Rd. No cards req., one or two riders, one bike. Watered, prepared track. Gates open 7 a.m., sign in 8-9, race 10. $3 @ gate, $7 to ride. Tom Anderson 415/798-5695, 634-3328.

D-36 MOTOCROSS
Argyll Park, Dixon, CA. 11 mi. S of town on Hwy. 113. Area 7, 8, 9 Western Region Final. 125/250/Open Sptsmn. & Semi-pro, no support classes. Entry $12 + $10 Sptsmn., $15 + $3 park fee Semi-pro, $4 watch, $1 6-12. Prac. Sat. p.m. Buel Campbell 916/678-3592.

CMC MOTOCROSS
Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad, CA. All classes. Gates open 7 a.m., sign up 7-9, prac. 8-9, first race 9 a.m. Jr/Int entry $8 mail, $10 post, Pros $13 mail, $15 post. Mail entry to: CMC, P.O. Box 1402, Costa Mesa, CA 92626. 714/557-3323.

MOTOCROSS
Rio Bravo Motocross Park, Rio Bravo, TX. 5 mi. East on E. Mount Houston Rd., off 59 North. All classes. Trophies thru 8 places to Ams, Expert p.b. dependent on sign-up. Entry $8 Am., $15 Ex. Prac. starts 8:30 a.m., race 11 a.m. Swimming pool, showers, game room. 713/458-0090.

September 16

IDAHO TT
Owyhee Motorcycle Club, Boise, ID. Harrison Blvd. to Bogus Basin Rd., turn on Cartwright Rd. for 3 mi. Ex. & Beg. classes, must have 6 to make a class. 33⅓% trophies to all. Sign up 6-7 p.m., prac. 7, race 8. Info 208/375-5956 (after 6 p.m.).

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Sept. 12 (Fri.)-Indian Dunes San Diego Qualifier
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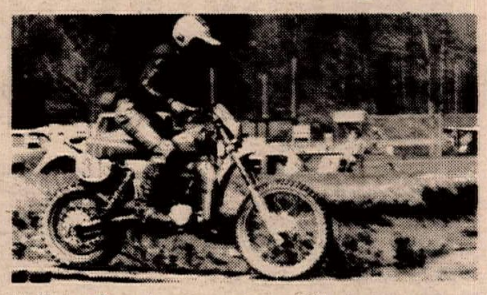

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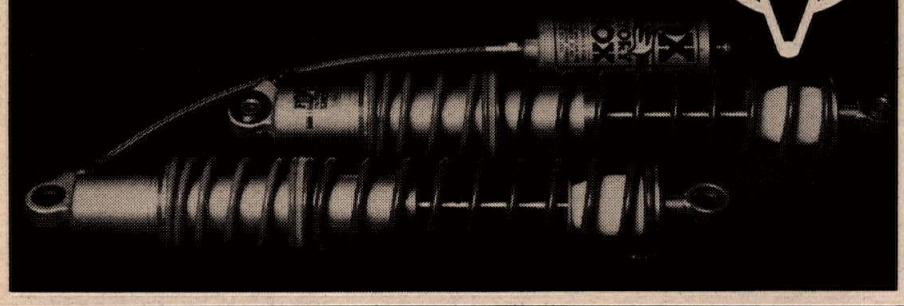

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September 19

AME NIGHT MINI MX
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. Post entry $9. Prac. 7 pm, race 8 pm. All classes. 30% brass. AME lic. req. For info: AME, PO Box 1421, Reseda, CA 91335. 213/881-5778.

AME NIGHT MOTOCROSS
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. Post entry $9 Sptsmn., $12 Pros. P.b. to Pros, 30% brass. Prac. 7 p.m., race 8 p.m. AME lic. req. All classes. For info: AME, P.O. Box 1421, Reseda, CA 91335. 213/881-5778.

September 20-21

TEXAS MOTOCROSS DOUBLE HEADER
Conroe MX Park, Conroe, TX. 3 mi. S of town to San Jacinto River. 60-Open, trophies or gift certificates to 8 places in Nov. classes. Concessions, showers, bathrooms. Entry $8, Ex. $15, gate $4. Sat. sign in 6 p.m., race 8. Sun. prac. 8 a.m., race 10. Conroe Suzuki, 610 Loop 336, Conroe, TX 77301. 713/756-4114, 273-2336 (track).

MMA NATL. DRAG RACE
Fremont Drag Strip, Fremont Raceway, Fremont, CA. Only IDBA-sanc. race on West Coast, $5000 guaranteed purse, $1750 Top Fuel purse. All classes. Gates open 8 a.m. both days. Info 916/442-4727.

September 20

AMA NIGHT MOTOCROSS
Saguaro Raceway, Tucson, AZ. I-10 to Palo Verde S to Hughes Access Rd., 2½ mi. on left. All classes, MX, flat track, go karts. Gates open 4:30 p.m., prac. 6, race 7. 30% trophies (100% to Mini Beg. & Nov.), 100% Ex. p.b. Entry $8, non-ARC memb. $10, Prs $15, gate $3, under 12 $1. Info 602/795-2238.

2ND ANNUAL HOSPITAL BENEFIT SHORT TRACK
Hills Ferry Speedway, Newman, CA. Hwy. 5, take Newman exit, Hills Ferry Rd. & River Rd. All classes, AMA-sanc., 4' trophies, dbl. Semi-pro p.b. Gates open 4 p.m., prac. 6, race 7:30. Entry $10, 2nd bike $7, watch $3. ¼-mi. track. Info 209/862-2465, 854-2091.

IDAHO STATE TT CHAMPIONSHIP
Owyhee M.C., Boise, ID. Harrison Blvd. to Bogus Basin Rd., turn on Cartwright Rd. for 3 mi. All classes welcome, must have 6 to make a class. Knobbies OK. 90% Ex. p.b., 33⅓% trophies for Beg. Gates open 4 p.m., sign up 5-7, prac. 7, race 8. Info 208/375-5956 after 6 p.m.

CALIFORNIA STATE INVITATIONAL SPEEDWAY CHAMPIONSHIP
Inland Motorcycle Speedway, San Bernardino, CA. San Bernardino Fwy. to 15E, Orange Show Rd. exit. 1st Div., Scratch format. $1225 purse or 30% gate. Gates open 6 p.m., 1st race 8. Adult admission $7, 6-12 $3. Rider entry $7, mech. $5. Tickets @ Ticketron. Info 213/446-0969, 2241.

September 21

AME NIGHT MOTOCROSS
Sprockets Park, Bakersfield, CA. All classes inc. ATC, 30% trophies, cash p.b. to Pros. AME lic. req. Post entry $9, Pros $12. Prac. 7 p.m., race 8. Free O/N camping. AME, PO Box 1421, Reseda, CA 91335. 213/881-5778.

SRA RIVERSIDE GP
Riverside Intl. Raceway, Riverside, CA. Off Hwy. 60. All classes + Team race. 20% trophies, finisher pins. O/N camping. Gates open 4 p.m. Sat., prac. 8 a.m., 1st race 9. SRA comp. lic. req. Entry $15 mail, $20 post, Team $10/rider. Mail 2 SASE to SRA, PO Box 509, Cypress, CA 90630. 714/828-1358.

NMA FALL NATIONALS
Barona Oaks, Ramona, CA. 50-250cc, 30% trophies, San Diego qualifier. $10,000 awards & prizes for series. Gates open 6:30 a.m., prac. 8, race 9:30. For entry forms call 213/868-8112.

D-36/MARYSVILLE MOTOCROSS
Riverfront Park, Marysville, CA. 40 mi. N of Sacto on Hwy. 70 to N. Beale Rd., over levee on Shad Rd. Free hats to all trophy winners except bonus trophies, AMA Prog. Pro, Blue Plate pts., med. insurance, free O/N parking, concessions, Parts-in-the-Pits. AMA & D-36 cards req., avail. @ track, no pit riding, silencers req. All classes, gates open 6:30 a.m., sign up 7, prac. 7:30, race 9. Entry $13, Pros $15 + $3, watch $4, 6-12 $1. Info 916/695-2727, 2088.

SEATTLE M.C. MOTOCROSS
Jolly Rogers Raceway, Kent, WA. I-5 Exit 152, rt. on 42nd, rt. on 216th, left on 40th. AMA-sanc., all classes, 100% Pro p.b. Entry $8.50. Doug Eyers 206/244-8874.

D-36 MOTOCROSS
Calder Cycle Park, Winnemucca, NV. 2 mi. W of town off Hwy. 40. All classes, 100% purse, off-cambers, new up & downhills. Entry $13, Semi-pros $15 + $3. Flying W's M.C. 702/623-3588, 3577.

SILVER BEACH GP
Rimrock Lake, White Pass, WA. Hwy. 12 W of Yakima (or E of Tacoma). 200/Open/30+ classes, 30% trophies. 1 or 2-man teams run for same trophies. Natural 5+ mi. course on beach & lake bottom, good spectator area. ORV stickies, 3 matching numbers req. Pre-entry $10, post (after 9/10) $12, + $2 gen. admission, under 12 free. Yakima Dust Dodgers M.C., c/o Pat McCafferty, Rt. 3 Box 653, Yakima, WA 98901. 509/248-9113.

CHAMPIONSHIP SIXES MOTOCROSS
Sixes MX, Sixes, OR. 6 mi. S of Langlois, 6 mi. N of Port Orford. All classes inc. Turkey, 3 to make a class, 200% Pro p.b., 33⅓% trophies. Entry $5, Pros $10, add admission, 7-12 $1, 13 & over $2. Sign in 8 a.m., prac. 9, race 10. Gold Coast M.C. 503/347-3612, 888-3201.

D-37 HARE & HOUND
Red Mountain, CA. Limed from 395 & Trona Rd. Two 35-mi. loops, Beg. & Trail Nov. go 1 loop. Start 8 a.m. Entry $14. Sunland Shamrocks M.C. 213/243-1101.

D-36/MARYSVILLE MOTOCROSS
Riverfront Park, Marysville, CA. 40 mi. N of Sacto on Hwy 70, park entrance on 1st St. between E & F St. Free hats to all trophy winners except bonus trophies, AMA Prog. Pro, Blue Plate pts., med. insurance, free O/N parking, concessions, Parts-in-the-Pits. AMA & D-36 cards req., avail. @ track, no pit riding, silencers req. All classes, gates open 6:30 a.m., sign up 7, prac. 7:30, race 9. Entry $13, Pros $15 + $3, watch $4, 6-12, $1. Info 916/695-2727, 2088.

SEMI-PRO MOTOCROSS
Sand Hill Ranch, Brentwood, CA. Corner of Camino Diablo & Vasco Rd. All new sand track, D-36 rules enforced, no rider insurance. Entry $15 Expert (80% p.b.), Sptsmn. $11, $4 spectators. Gate opens 6:30 a.m., sign up 7-8, prac. 8:30, race 9. Info 415/798-5695, 634-3328 Tom Anderson.

ONE-DAY RELIABILITY TRIALS
Sleeping Child Hot Springs, Hamilton, MT. MIMA pts. 100 rider limit, spark arrestor req. Pre-entry open to 9/20. Entry $15, non-memb. add $2. Larry Hamilton 406/273-6909.

CMC MOTOCROSS
Saddleback Park, Orange, CA. Gate open 7:30 a.m. signup 8-9, prac. 8-9, first race 9:30 a.m. Junior & Intermediate entry $8 mail, $10 post. Pros $13 mail, $15 post. Mail entry to: CMC, PO Box 1402, Costa Mesa, CA 92626. 714/557-3323.

CMMC MINI-MX
Barona Oaks Raceway, Ramona, CA. Hwy. 67 to Lakeside, E on Mapleview, N on Ashwood, up Wildcat Canyon Rd. 11 mi. New track, O/N camping, concessions, new Beginner class. Entry $10, yearly membership $15. Sign up closes 7:30 a.m. sharp. Bob Hale 714/440-1257, Tom Hembree 561-7402.

CRC MOTOCROSS
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. I-5 to H-126. All classes. 2 long motos & cash for Pros. 2 motos & brass for Sptsmn. Entry $10/$15 Pros. Gates open 7:00 a.m., prac 8, race 9:30. Memb. req. 213/830-7519.

TEXAS MOTOCROSS
Lake Conroe MX Park, Conroe, TX. Prac. 8 a.m., race 10. Entry Ex. $15/Int. $8/Nov. $8/gate fee $4. All classes 60cc-Open. Trophies or gift certificates to 8 places in Nov. class. Jerry's Conroe Suzuki, 610 Loop 336, Conroe, TX 77301. 713/756-4114; 273-2336.

TEXAS MOTOCROSS
Mosier Valley MX Park, Ft. Worth, TX. All classes, no pit riding or late prac. $705 guaranteed Ex. purse. Prac. 8 a.m., 1st race 9, Int. & Ex. prac. 1:30 p.m. Entry $8, Ex. $10, gate $4. Info 214/245-4793.

AFM ROAD RACE
Golden State Intl. Raceway, Sonoma, CA. Rescheduled from March rain-out date. AFM/North, 1143 Crane St. #208, Menlo Park, CA 94025. 916/454-2171.

D-37 MOTOCROSS
Saddleback Park, Orange, CA. Chapman Ave. E from Newport (55) Fwy., S on Santiago Canyon Rd. All welcome, D-37 pts., AMA Prog. Pro, purse 85% to $1200. Gates open 7 a.m., prac. 8-9, race 9. Entry $9, Pros $15. Anaheim Hi-Siders. 714/997-8615, 828-7044.

IDAHO STATE MOTOCROSS CHAMPIONSHIP
Owyhee M.C., Boise, ID. Harrison Blvd. to Bogus Basin Rd., turn on Cartwright Rd. for 3 mi. $2500 Pro purse. Must have 6 to make a class, mandatory bike inspec. @ track for safety. 33⅓% Beg. trophies. Gates open 6 a.m., sign up 7-9, prac. 9, race 10. Info 208/375-5956 after 6 p.m.

CRC MOTOCROSS
Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad, CA. Palomar Airport Rd. off I-5 SE of Oceanside. All classes. 2 long motos & cash to Pros. 2 motos & brass to Sptsmn. Entry $10/$15 Pros. Gates open 7 a.m., prac. 8, race 9:30. CRC memb. req. 213/830-7519.

DEANZA MOTOCROSS
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D-27/28 MOTOCROSS
Mulkey ORV Park, McMinnville, OR. AMA Am. & Prog. MX. Entry $8, Prog. $13, watch $3.50, 7-11 $2. Info 503/472-2475.

September 24

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September 26

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Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. International Class. All classes, CRC memb. req. Entry $9, Pros $13. Prac. 7 p.m., race 8. Info 213/830-7519.

AMA WESTERN REGIONAL HALF-MILE CHAMPIONSHIPS
Ascot Park, 18300 S. Vermont Ave., Gardena, CA. 18 events for Nov., Jr. & Ex. $4000 purse. Sign up 5 p.m., 1st race 8. Entry $7, mech. $9, spectators $6, 13-17 $4, 9-12 $2. Info 213/321-5323, 323-5055.

September 27

ARIZONA MOTOCROSS
Canyon Raceway, Phoenix, AZ. 1¼ mi. W of 99th Ave. & Carefree Hwy. Beg.-Ex., 100% p.b. Gates open 4:30 p.m., prac. 5:30. Entry $10, Ex. $14. T. T. Timmons 602/931-3696.

September 28

MABTON DUNES MOTOCROSS
Mabton Dunes, Yakima, WA. 30 mi. S of town. All new track, all sand, no rocks. 100% Pro p.b., 30% trophies. Entry $10, Pros $15. Pat Jaquish 509/837-8203.

PHOENIX ROAD RACE
Phoenix Intl. Raceway, Phoenix, AZ. 410/550/750/Open BS/SS/GP. DOT-approved helmets, leather jackets, gloves, boots over ankles, eye protection req. May wear 2 pairs denim pants instead of leathers. Gates open 6:30 a.m., new riders school 8, race in p.m. EZRA memb. $10, entry $30 1st class, $15 ea. additional, watch $3. Ed Hileman 602/849-3561, Mike McChargue 971-1899.

D-36 MOTOCROSS
Argyll Park, Dixon, CA. 11 mi. S of town on Hwy. 113. 2nd Annual Woodland M/C Center Argyll Park Challenge. All classes, lot of trophies & contingencies, 100% purse. Entry $12, Pros $15 + $3 park fee, watch $4, 6-12 $1. Sign up 7 a.m., prac. 7:30, race 8:30. Buel Campbell 916/678-3592.

VOTE TRIALS AND SCHOOL
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. Sign up @ 9 a.m. for school trial starts 11 a.m. Boyd Bernard 213/845-8738.

DRAN HARE SCRAMBLES
Milk Ranch, NV. Interstate 80 to Pyramid Way, Sparks, NV, 15 mi. N to WInnemuca Ranch Rd., limed & arrowed from highway. Beg.-Ex. 125/200/250/Open. Trophies, finish pins. Mail entry $15, post $18. Team Tahoe City, Box 5692, Tahoe City, CA 95730. 916/583-6710, 2652.

D-27/28 MOTOCROSS
Washougal MX Park, Washougal, WA. AMA Am. & Prog. MX. Entry $8, Prog. $13, watch $3.50, 7-11 $2. Info 503/472-2475, 620-5301.

AMA HALF-MILE
South West Washington Fairgrounds, Centralia, WA. Exit 79 off I-5. 60-Open Sptsmn., 250 & Open Semi-pro. $600 min. purse. O/N camping & hook-ups @ track, covered stands. Entry $8, Semi-pro $12. Brad Mills 206/736-8423, 0113.

AME MINI MOTOCROSS
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. Post entry $9. All classes. Gates open 7 am, prac. 8, race 9 am. 30% brass. AME lic. req. For info: AME, PO Box 1421, Reseda, CA 91335. 213/881-5778.

CMC MOTOCROSS
Carlsbad Raceway, Carlsbad, CA. All classes. Gates open 7 a.m., sign up 7-9, prac. 8-9, first race 9 a.m. Jr/Int entry $8 mail, $10 post, Pros $13 mail, $15 post. Mail entry to: CMC, P.O. Box 1402, Costa Mesa, CA 92626. 714/557-3323.

DEANZA MOTOCROSS
DeAnza Cycle Park, Sunnymead, CA. 10 mi. E of Riverside CA on H-60 to Theodore off ramp. All classes. 30% same day trophies to Sptsmn. 100% trophies to Minis & Pee Wees. Entry $12 Ex., $8 Sptsmn. Nonmemb. add $2. Memb. not req. Park open Tues-Sun. for prac. Gates open 7:00 a.m., prac. 8, race 9. Everybody goes 2 motos. Free camping. 714/653-8068; 653-5840; 653-7979.

AME MOTOCROSS
Indian Dunes, Valencia, CA. All classes. Gates open 7 a.m., prac. 8, race 9. Entry Sptsmn. $10/Pros $13. 30% brass, p.b. to Pros. AME lic. req. AME, PO Box 1421, Reseda, CA 91335. 213/881-5778.

CRC MOTOCROSS
Saddleback Pr[illegible] Orange, CA. All classes, 2 motos each. Cash p.b. to [illegible]s, 30% brass to Sp[illegible]. Entry $10/$15 Pros. Gates open 7 a.m., prac. 8, race 9:30. CRC memb. req. 213/830-7519.

SAN DIEGO QUALIFIER

MOTOCROSS
Sunrise Valley Cycle Park, Adelanto, CA. 2 mi. N of town on Hwy. 395. All welcome, free O/N parking. 50% trophies to Mini & Vets, 30% same day Sptsmn. trophies, cash p.b. to Ex. Gates open 7 a.m., prac. 8, race 9:30. Entry $9, Ex. $15. Nick Brajevich 714/245-7339.

ZAP/CMC MOTOCROSS
Fremont Raceway, Fremont, CA. All classes inc. Vets, OT & special Beg. class (125 & 250) for those who have never trophied. Gates open 6:30 a.m., prac. 8:30, race 9:30. Entry $12, Pros $15 + $3 gate. 30% awards, 100% p.b. Info 415/355-4760.

LAKE WHITNEY MOTOCROSS
Lake Whitney Cycle Ranch, Whitney, TX on FM 2960 off Hwy. 22 W of Whitney. $1,170 guar. purse, brass thru 8th. Split race sched. Nov 9 a.m., Int/Ex. approx. 1:30 p.m. All classes. Camping $2 per vehicle, gate $4. Am. entry $8/Ex. $10. 713/482-7593; 817/694-2901.

September 30

IDAHOE TT
Owyhee M.C., Boise, ID. Take Harrison Blvd. to Bogus Basin Rd., turn on Cartwright Rd. for 3 mi. Ex. & Beg. classes, 6 to make a class. 33⅓% trophies. Sign up 6-7 p.m., prac. 7, race 8. Info 208/375-5956 after 6 p.m.

October 3

AMA NATIONAL HALF-MILE TUNE-UP
Ascot Park, 18300 S. Vermont Ave., Gardena, CA. Open to all AMA Nov., Jr. & Ex. $1600 purse. Sign up 5 p.m., 1st race 8. Entry $7, mech. $9, spectators $5, 13-17 $3, 9-12 $1.50. Info 213/321-4323, 323-5055.

October 4

22ND ANNUAL AMA/WINSTON PRO SERIES HALF-MILE NATIONAL
Ascot Park, 18300 S. Vermont Ave., Gardena, CA. Final Winston Pro race of season; $25,000 purse, 9 events, 20 lap final. Sign up 3-5 p.m., front gate open 5, 1st race 8. Reserved seats $14, under 12 $7; gen. admission $12, 9-12 $6. Info 213/321-5323, 323-5055.

October 5

HIGH GROVE ENDURO
High Grove, TX. Abt. 2 mi. off FM 535 between Cedar Creek & Rockne, 27 mi. from Austin. A/B/C/Women/16 & under/over 50. 2 gas stops, 2 gas cans req., working spark arrestors & silencers req. Finisher patches, trophies, drawing for prizes. TSCEC-sanc. Entry $16, after 9/24 $21, 3-man team (all A or all B) $5 extra/rider. Riders mtg. 7 a.m., key time 8. River City Enduro Riders, Inc., 26 Sundown Parkway, Austin, TX 78746. Info 512/327-2179, 836-5720.

6TH ANNUAL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HILL CLIMB
DeAnza Cycle Park, Sunnymead, CA. Super hill, $4000 guaranteed cash purse. All Stock classes, trophies only, entry $15. 500/650/Open Exhibition classes, pay 7 places, entry $25. Gate $6/person, under 7 free, Info 714/653-5840 (eve.), 7979 (weekends).

KMC MOTOCROSS
Kleberg County Park, Kingsville, TX. Hwy. 77, 1 mi. S of town. All classes, 50% trophies to 6th, 100% purse. Entry $8, Ex. $12. Race starts @ noon. W. Bynum 512/592-6764.

Road Runs

September 28

EUROPEAN MOTORCYCLE RUN
Brattin Motors, 4952 El Cajon Blvd., San Diego, CA. Free run for bikes built in Europe only; destination ? Free BBQ beef, beans, drinks. Trophies for oldest bike, rider, longest distance, youngest rider. $.50/vehicle parking fee. RSVP by 9/20 to Riley 714/286-1971.

SOUTHLAND CYCLES ROAD RUN
Southland Cycle Center, 8141 Garden Grove Blvd., Garden Grove, CA. To Lake Hughes & Bouquet Canyon. Free entry, start 8:30 a.m. Jim 714/893-5091.

October 1-4

ASPENCADE MOTORCYCLIST CONVENTION
Ruidoso, NM. D-25 Tour, 4-day trade show, technical seminars, road tour, parade. Til Thompson, PO Box 970, Ruidoso, NM 88345.

October 25-26

9TH ANNUAL GRIFFITH PARK SIDECAR RALLY
Griffith Park, Los Angeles, CA. Open Sat. afternoon for registration. Movies Sat. nite furnished by Clyde Earl, O/N camping avail. to all reg. Sun. arrival time approx. 9 a.m. Picnic & rally, refreshments avail., drawing for prizes. Entry $5/sidecar only, guest & spectators free. Doug Bingham, PO Box 8119, Van Nuys, CA 91409. 213/780-5542.

FREE LISTING

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Listings must be received by noon Thursday to be included in the following week's Cycle News. No listings can be accepted by phone. Please include a phone number for additional information. Mail the completed blank to Cycle News Calendar, Box 498, Long Beach, CA 90801.

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Location _____

How to get there _____

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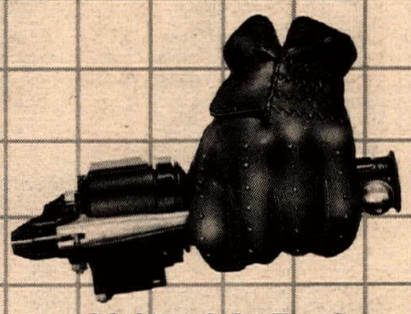

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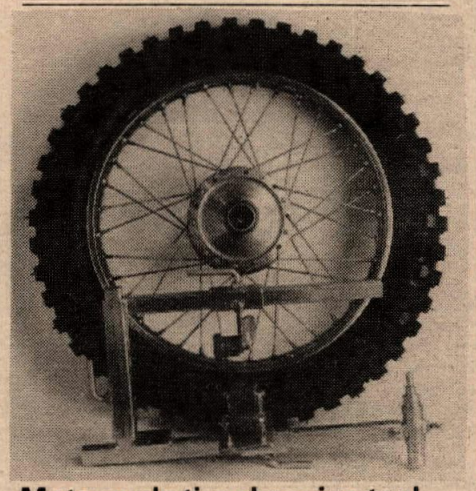

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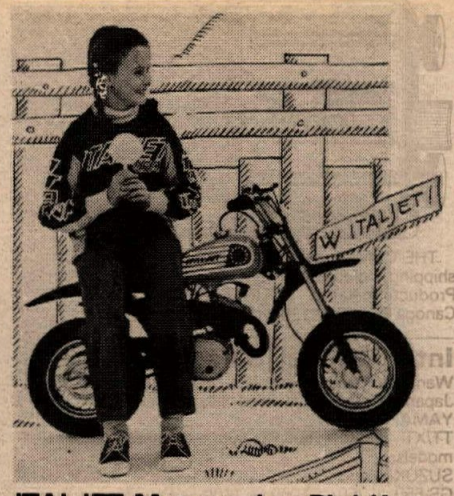

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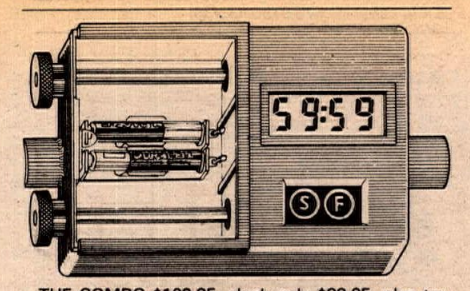

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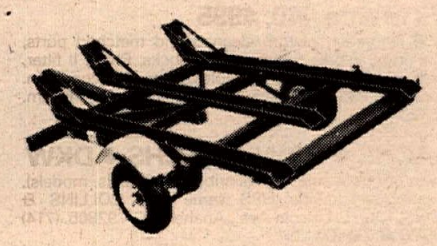

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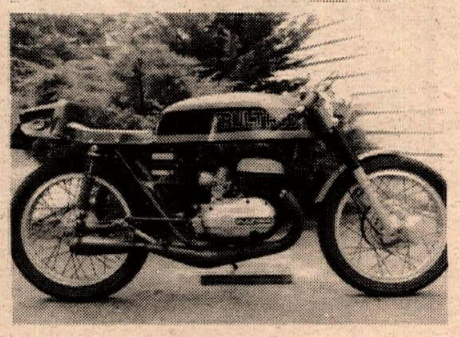

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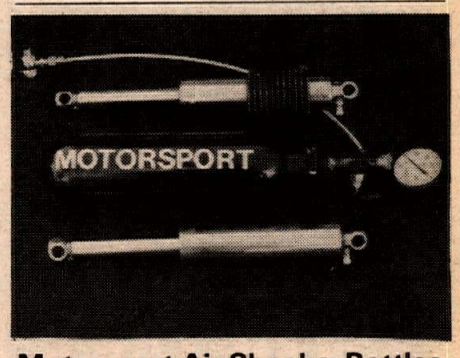

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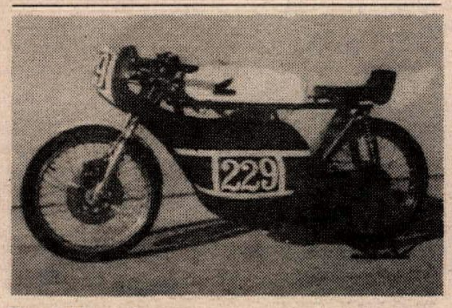

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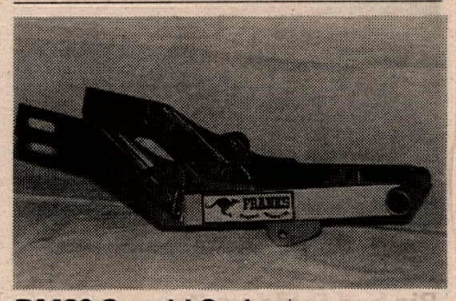

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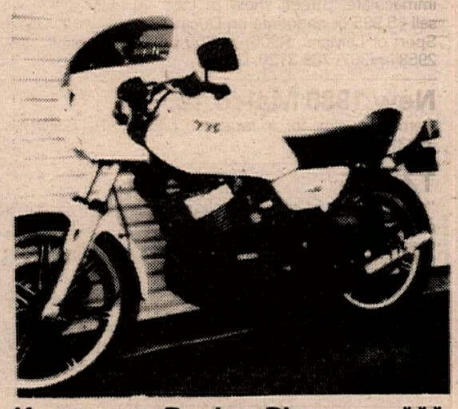

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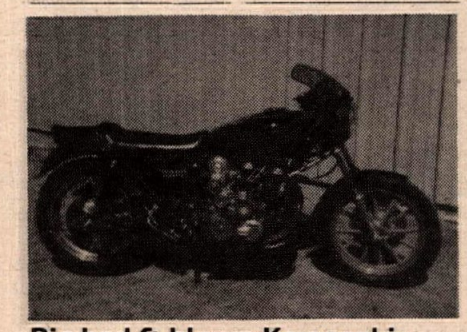

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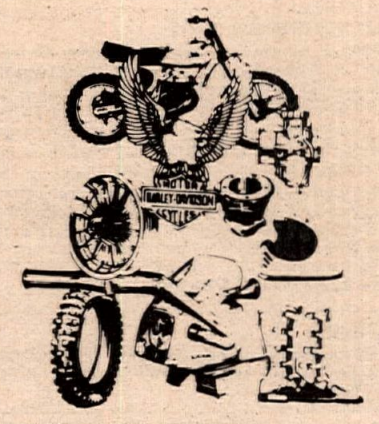

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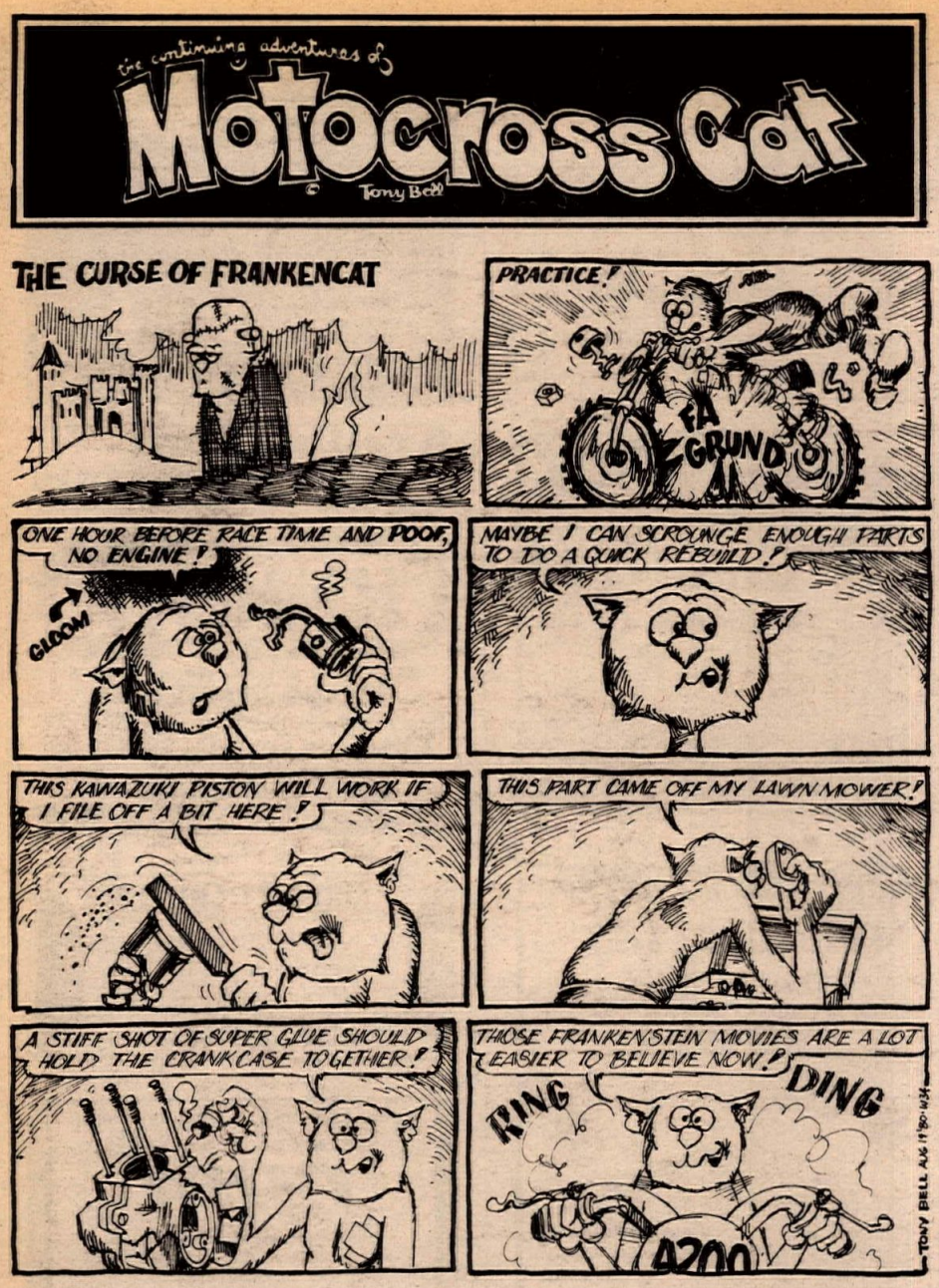

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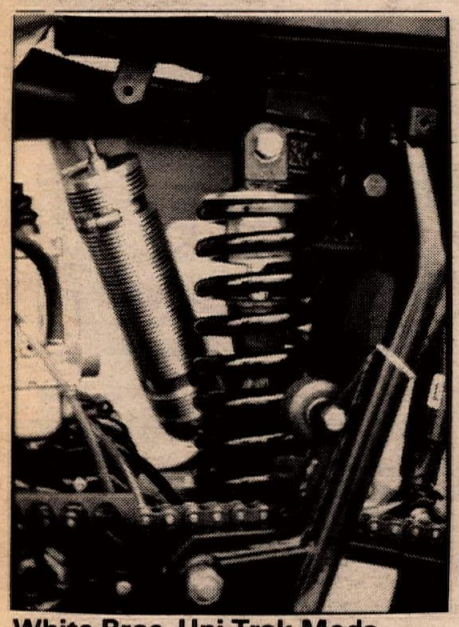

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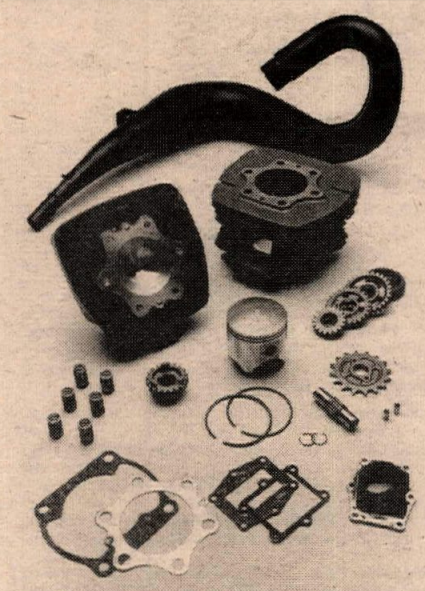

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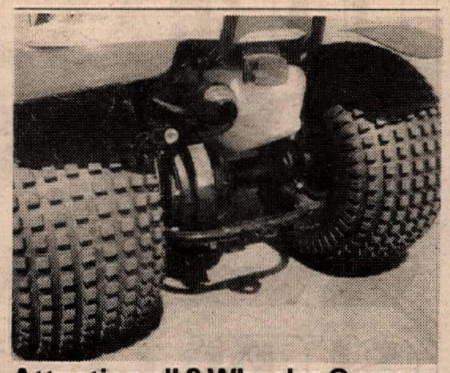

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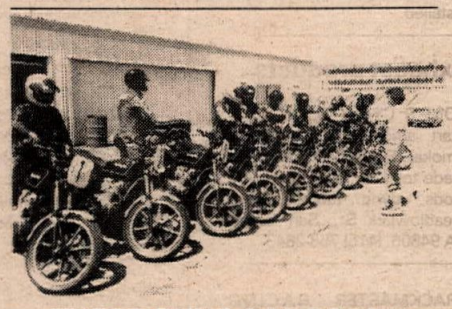

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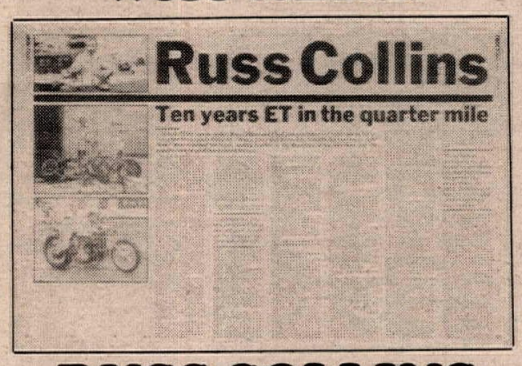

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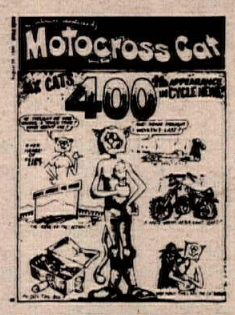

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